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3-Year Study **Questions** AIDS Drug

Use of AZT Challenged For Early Treatment After European Survey

By Lawrence K. Altman New York Three Service
LONDON — The standard early treatment with AZT for hundreds of thousands of people infected with the virus that causes AIDS has been called into serious question by a large European study reported here Thursday.

AZT had no benefit in delaying the progress from infection to disease or in preventing death when the drug was started in the study during the symptom-free period compared to waiting until the onset of symptoms from full-fledged

AIDS.

The study was the largest of any aimed at evaluating the early treatment of HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, and it followed patients for an average of three years, much longer than other studies. But the study was not designed to determine the effectiveness of AZT in treating full-fledged AIDS. Survival was 92 percent among those who

were treated early and 93 percent among those who were given a placebo, or dummy pill. The rate of progression from HIV to AIDS or death was 18 percent in both groups.

The findings differ dramatically from those in four earlier, smaller and shorter studies that

were carried out in the United States and spon-sored by federal health officials. Three of those studies were stopped early for ethical consider-ations because the findings were highly favor-The studies led to the standard recommendation for early treatment with AZT for HIVinfected individuals with fewer than 500 CD-4

cells per cubic millimeter of blood. CD-4 cells are specialized immune cells in the blood. Nevertheless, controversy has persisted over the optimal time to begin treatment of HIV carriers because the average follow-up period was one year or less in three studies, and two years in the fourth. Opponents of early treat-ment have cited the costs of AZT, doctor visits and monitoring tests for complications as well

as problems of HIV resistance to AZT. Because the Enropean study continued long-er than those conducted in the United States, many doctors who have felt uncertain about the benefits of treating HIV carriers with AZT have been looking to its results. The study, known as

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By Steven Brull

From the European Community in their long-

running dispute over auto exports, agreed Thursday to sharply reduce its 1993 shipmens

to the EC by 8.1 percent.

The agreement, long sought by the Europeans, deals another blow to Japan's beleaguered

auto industry, yet at the same time offers little

relief to the auto industries in five European

countries where Japanese imports will be in-

makers on both sides and could face opposition

European carmakers said the agreement would increase Japanese market share during

the industry's worst downturn in 20 years.

Toyota Motor Corp., the biggest Japanese automaker, called the pact "very severe," and

The deal was immediately criticized by auto-

TOKYO - Japan, bowing to strong pressure

ional Herold Tribune



BELJING-BOUND — Sir David Akers-Jones being protected from protesters Thursday as he left Hong Kong for Beijing. Sir David, a former acting governor of the

British colony, is advising China. He is a leading critic of Governor Chris Patten, who is introducing a measure of democracy before Hong Kong reverts to China in 1997.

Nuclear Agency Asks UN to Act on North Korea

By David E. Sanger

TOKYO - The International Atomic Energy Agency declared Thursday that North Korea violated its obligation to open suspected muclear weapons sites to outside inspections and, for the first time, has asked the UN Security Council to enforce agreements designed to limit the spread of ouclear arms. The action, at a special meeting of the agen-

's board of governors, came a day after North Korea defied the latest deadline to allow inspectors into two sites near Yongbyon, a heavi-ly guarded nuclear installation that American intelligence satellites suggest would provide evidence of how close the Communist government is to producing a onclear bomb,

North Korea declared three weeks ago that it was withdrawing from the Nuclear Nonprolif-eration Treaty, but the action does not take

Japan to Cut Car Exports to EC by 8.1%

Mazda Motor Corp. termed it "a very harsh

agreement," albeit one that it said couldn't be

The accord, reached after four tough rounds

helped, "given European market conditions."

of talks, would allow increased Japanese ex-

ports to Italy, France, Spain, Portugal and

Britain -- countries that previously had im-

posed restrictions on Japanese vehicle exports

- but would benefit countries such as Germa-

oy, where the Japanese automakers are well-

A.M. Thursday, negotiators agreed on a com-mon estimate that demand in the EC automo-

bile market would decline by 6.7 percent in 1993 from 1992's level of 13.94 million units.

They also agreed that Japan would reduce its

export quota by 8.1 percent from last year's

EC officials said the cut in exports was actu-

After three days of talks that stretched until 2

entrenched

1.185.000 units.

The agency's decision confronts the Clinton administration with its first major challenge in Asia: How hard to push an unpredictable regime that could strike out if pressed too far. It also was a new test for the United Nations. So far, the United States and its allies have

failed to get China, North Korea's last remaining major ally, to join in the public effort to pressure the Pyongyang government. In the vote Thursday, China and Libya were

the only countries against the resolution asking the United Nations to intervene. China, as a permanent member of the Security Council, could block imposition of UN sanctions with

Twenty-eight countries voted for the resolu-tion. India, Pakistan, Syria and Vietnam abstained. Neither India oor Pakistan is a signatory to the treaty, and both are believed to have extensive nuclear weapons projects of their

ure did not include the Canary Islands, whereas

this year's level would.

This will have a tremendous impact on

Japanese automakers," said Stephen Usher, an

analyst at Kleinwort Benson Securities. "Eu-

rope is their second-biggest export market and

After years of headlong expansion, Japanese car companies face a need to get smaller as their

home market shrinks and exports to the United

States remain flat. An 8 percent fall in exports

to the EC - which takes 28 percent of Japan's

auto exports, compared with 31 percent going to the United States — would force further

production cuts at Japanese plants and "lead to

continued hollowing-out of local production,

In February, Nissan Motor Co., Japan's sec-ond-largest automaker, shocked the nation by

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one of the most incrative."

Mr. Usher said.

own. Pakistan is chairman of the Security Council this month.

of ouclear material" to "nuclear weapons or other ouclear explosive devices." U.S. intelligence officials, though disagreeing among themselves on the precise stage of North Korea's bomb program, say they suspect the country already has enough plutonium to pro-

duce one or more crude nuclear weapons. While the agency has issued reports to the Security Council before about nuclear developments in specific countries, this is the first time that it has sought the Council's help in gaining access to sites it has been barred from entering,

Nuclear inspections in Iraq, which have also

met tremendous resistance, are being carried

out under the Security Council's direct supervi-

sioo under agreements signed at the end of the Gulf War.

It may be several weeks before the North The resolution says that "the agency is not Korean case comes before the Security Council. able to verify that there has been no diversion The U.S. secretary of state, Warren M. Christopher, has suggested imposing embargoes of fuel, food and other occessities on North Ko-The resolution did oot specify what kind of

UN action the agency sought.

A South Korean Foreign Ministry spokesman, Yu Myung Hwan, said Thursday in Tokyo, "We think that obtaining Chinese support, or at least acquiescence, is a must." The South Korean foreign minister, Han Sung Joo, is in Japan for consultations oo the handling of the nuclear issue. A spokesman for the Internacional Atomic

Energy Agency, David Kyd, said Thursday: "I think the Security Council will want to explore

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Clinton Seeks To Sell Aid To Russia as Investment

He Says Much of Help Would Not Be Charity, But 'People to People'

By Paul F. Horvitz

WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton, laying the groundwork for his weekend summit meeting with President Boris N. Yeltsin, said Thursday that sending money directly to the Russian people was an investment in America's future, its prosperity and its security.

"Nothing could contribute more to global freedom, security and prosperity than the peaceful progressioo of Russia's rebirth," Mr. Clinton said in a speech to newspaper editors meeting in Annapolis, Maryland.

The president emphasized that a large share of the relatively modest sums envisioned for Russia would be "people to people, not government to government

"It is not an act of charity," Mr. Clinton said, recalling the post-World War II assistance provided to Germany and Japan. "It is an investment in our own future. While our efforts will entail new costs, we can reap even larger divi-

dends for our safety and prosperity."

As he and other top U.S. officials have warned in recent days, Mr. Clinton argued that failing to act now on Russia's behalf could prove costly in the future.

"The danger is clear if Russia's reforms turn sour," be said, "if it reverts to authoritarianism or disintegrates into chaos. The world cannot afford the strife of the former Yugoslavia repli-

cated in a nation spanning 11 time zones and armed with a vast arsenal of ouclear weapons." He also argued that promoting democracy and human rights abroad was a good investment in a stable future.

Mr. Clinton's speech came two days before his first major appearance on the international stage, the weekend summit meetings in Vancouver, British Columbia, with Mr. Yeltsin.

It was clear that the speech was primarily addressed to the American public, which habitually frowns on foreign aid programs, especially in times of economic stagnation and debt at

Don Oberdorfer and Ann Devroy of The Wash ington Post reported:

The new aid program that Mr. Clintoo plans to announce at his meeting with Mr. Yeltsin is a collection of initiatives ranging from construction of housing for Russian military officers to training for Russian bankers, according to administration sources. Senior U.S. officials said that Mr. Clinton's

assistance plan would be presented in two phases. They said Mr. Yeltsin would be informed of a relatively modest package that could be provided quickly.

A second package, based on the talks with

the Russian president, further consultationswith Congress and leaders of other advanced the officials said.

industrialized pagons, will be announced later. The U.S. programs under consideration oow fall well short of the many billions of dollars of

assistance needed to rescue the Russian economy and help Moscow make the transicion to market economics.

Such large-scale financing, the officials said, will have to be the responsibility of such inter-

national lending institutions as the Internation al Monetary Fund and the World Bank and will be discussed by the Group of Seven industrial ized democracies at a ministerial meeting April 14-15 and at their conference in July. The officials declined to be specific about the package that Mr. Clinton will unveil this week-

end, except to say it will be kept within the limits already authorized and appropriated by Other administration sources said the pro-

gram is similar in size and many other aspects to that previously planned by the Bush admin-istration, although some project names are being changed and some projects reoriented. The sources said the initial Mr. Clinton pack-

age will include: Construction of several thousand housing See SUMMIT, Page 3

ally 9.4 percent, because last year's export fig-Kiosk

4 Tied to Nidal Indicted in U.S.

at EC headquarters in Brussels

WASHINGTON (Reuters) The Justice Department said Thursday that four members of the Abu Nidal terrorist group were indicted on racketeering charges that included plans for terrorism, a conspiracy to murder Jews and discussions on blowing up the Israeli Embassy in Wash-The indictment was announced

by the Justice Department a day after it was returned in secret by a federal grand jury in St. Louis. All four are in custody. Indicted were Tawfiq Musa of

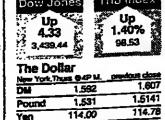
Milwankee and Zein Isa, Saif Nijmeh and Luie Nijmeh, all from St Louis. They were charged with conducting a criminal racketeering enterprise since 1986.

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Israeli soldiers patrolling a refugee camp as the crisis deepened in the sealed-off Gaza Strip and West Bank. It also cut sharply into incomes of Palestinians in the occupied territories. Page 4.

'Amigo' and 'Cleaning Lady' Shake German View of Politics

By Marc Fisher Washington Post Service

BERLIN - They have catchy names: The Amigo Affair. The Swine Scandal. The Cleaning Lady Scam. The Stationery Scan-dal. The Desk Drawer Affair.

But while the government corruption cases that have riveted Germany recently may seem mostly minor - a free jet ride, a favor for a friend—they are damaging public trust and dragging down ministers in a country already troubled by voter disaffection.

Politicians, opinioo polls and political observers say the media and public focus on official corruption is making it harder for Germany to master the economic and social problems of reunification. "The political discussion here is rapidly

moving away from policy toward an emphasis on corruption — a personalization of politics that we have not had before," said Stephan Russ-Mohl, a communications professor at Berlin's Free University.

The personal business of prominent policicians - until recently an issue reserved largely for scandalmongering tabloids - is now front-page news in the most serious newspa-

The roll call of corruption affairs seems to grow weekly. The latest features Transportation Minister Gunther Krause, already uo-

popular for proposing that Germans pay an annual fee to use the country's highway sys-tem, and oow scrambling to save his job because of the Cleaning Lady Scarn. This scandal finds Mr. Krause seeking and wirming a \$375 monthly subsidy from his

local unemployment office so his household could hire a maid. Mr. Krause's wife, according to testimony at a legislatove hearing, agreed to hire the housekeeper only after the unemployment office agreed to pay 70 per-Mr. Kranse, the most prominent East Ger-

man in Chancellor Helmut Kohl's government and a ocgoniator of Germany's unification treaty, has tried to tough out the charges. He said he needed the extra money for the maid because of the cost of holding public office: a second home, a car and so on. But last week, he paid back the subsidy, an

admission of sorts that could lead to his downfall. Meanwhile the press, led by the newsmagazine Der Spiegel, presents a con-tinuing catalogue of allegations about Mr. Krause: that he helped Western companies win access to highway rest-stop franchises. that his 16-year-old son drives in Germany with a U.S. driver's license and a fancy American car, and - this week's revelation - that he took his son on a \$112,000 German Air

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Major Overhaul Looms for U.S. Airlines

By Agis Salpukas New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Hobbled by overcapacity, declining travel and bruising fare wars, Ameri-ca's leading airlines are taking steps to disman-tle the elaborate hub systems they spent the last

Industry experts say their actions could alter air service substantially, opening the door for low-cost carriers to thrive and perhaps bringing back the price competition and no-fulls service

that existed when People Express packed planes with low fares in the early 1980s. It is unclear how the industry will ultimately be shaped. Even Robert L. Crandall, the outspoken chairman of American Airlines, the largest American carrier, has drawn a blank about what to do about the largely unprofitable hub-and-spoke systems built in the wake of deregulation to protect the airlines against feisty low-cost carriers. "I don't know my way

out of this," he said recently. But what may develop is a two-tier system under which the major airlines control heavily traveled international and national arteries while smaller carriers carve out regional niches and feed the broader systems. Southwest Air-lines, one of the few oo-frills upstarts oot to be run out of business by its larger rivals, is emerging as a model regional carrier.

Such a two-oer system, in fact, may be helped by the Clinton administration's seeming willingness to protect airline newcomers. In the

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Doctors' Pay: Americans Haven't a Clue

By Philip J. Hilts

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — Americans believe that doctors and health-care executives make far less than they actually do, according to a new poll. And people still think the salaries are ton high.

Those in the poll were asked to estimate the income of doctors and executives in hospitals, drug companies and insurance compa-

The nationwide telephone poll of 1,000 households conducted for Families USA, a foundation working on health-care issues in Washington, found that most people believe that doctors and health-care company executives earn \$100,000 to \$600,000 a year after expenses, less than half of the actual amounts. \$150,000 per year. They said \$100,000 per year would be fair. In fact, top hospital executions

Those surveyed were asked how much they believe doctors make in two of the higherpaid specialty groups, radiology and anesthe-siology. They said they believed these special-isis make about \$100,000 after expenses. In fact, the average income was \$230,000 and \$221,000 for the two groups. Doctors in private practice, including both specialists and generalists, averaged \$191,000 in after-ex-pense income in 1991, according to the American Medical Association.

When those in the survey were asked how much money would be fair for them to make, they responded with an average of \$100,000.
Asked how much they believe top executives in hospitals make, they answered about utives averaged \$235,000 per year in 1991.

Asked how much insurance company execntives make, those in the survey guessed \$400,000 per year and said \$115,000 per year would be fair. Families USA listed figures for top executives of 10 insurance companies, ranging from \$648,000 to \$2,396,000 for 1991.

When asked how much money drug com-pany executores make, those in the survey said \$600,000 per year. They said \$150,000 would be fair. Families USA gave a sample of top executives' salaries from six leading companies in 1991, which ranged from \$1,979,000 to \$12,788,000.

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Compiled by Our Skaff From Dispatches WASHINGTON - U.S. and allied warplanes are expected to begin enforcing a United Nations ban on military flights over Bosnia-Herzegovina within two weeks, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff said Thursday.

would expect within two weeks, but not before one week," the chairman, General Colin L. Powell, said of the enforcement ac-

Other military officials said the U.S. fighters could include navy jets from the aircraft carrier Rooseveit and air force jets based in Italy.

Mr. Powell, speaking prior to a hearing of the Senate Armed Ser-vices Committee on the U.S. military hudget, reiterated State De-partment comments that U.S. aircraft would take part in enforcing the no-flight zone under NATO

State Department and other Pentagon officials also stressed that the operation would be under NATO control and said General John M. Shalikashvili of the U.S. Army, the supreme allied commander of NATO forces, was al-ready working with the NATO sec-

Norwegian Is Seen as Successor To Vance

By Paul Lewis

New York Times Service UNITED NATIONS, New York -- Cyrus R. Vance will step down in the next few days as the special UN mediator in the Balkan crisis. His replacement is expected to be the Norwegian foreign minister, Thorvald Stoltenberg.

Mr. Vance, a former secretary of state, turned 76 on Saturday. He told Butros Butros Ghali, the UN secretary-general, in December that be could not continue indefinitely as the mediator on the Balkans. Recently he has indicated he would probably step down at the end of the latest round of peace talks.

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Mr. Vance and Lord Owen. the European Community's mediator, had put forward a peace plan to end the fighting in Bosma-Herzegovina that called for dividing the republic into 10 ethnically based semiautonomous regions under a central government in Saraje-

vo, the Bosnian capital. The New York round of peace talks ended last week with President Alija Izetbegovic. the head of the Muslimled Bosnian government, signing an amended version of their peace plan. Croatian leaders in Bosnia had already signed the plan and Mr. Izetbegovic's acceptance left only the Bosnian Serbs holding out.

The likelihood that Mr. Stoltenberg will replace Mr. Vance surprised many diplomats, who said Wednesday that they had not known of the secretary-general's intention to appoint him.

Several diplomats expressed disappointment with the ehoice, arguing that the joint peace effort of the United Nations and the European Community would have appeared more credible if the secretarygeneral had chosen another senior American statesman with ties to the Clinton administration to work alongside Lord Owen, a former British foreign

Mr. Stoltenberg served for 10 months in 1990 as UN high commissioner for refugees before abruptly resigning to be-come foreign minister in the government of Prime Minister Gro Harlem Bruntland. He knows the Balkans well and has recently been conducting mediation efforts there on behalf of the Socialist International.

retary-general and allied officials on the enforcement operation.

NATO members will meet in Brussels on Friday to review military plans and give final approval for enforcement. The mission will be run from a NATO air headquarters at Vicenza, in northeastern Ita-ly. It will probably include 50 to 100 jet fighters from the United States, Britain, France and perhaps the Netherlands.

In Belgrade, the leader of Bosnian Serbs, Radovan Karadzic, condemned the UN vote on Wednesday, authorizing force against violators of the no-flight zone, as "a catastrophic error" and warned that it could harden Serbian opposition to an international peace

made a catastrophic error that represents an introduction toward the escalation of the war, and in case a third Sethian war is declared in these regions, the resolution will be the real beginning of this conflict," Mr. Karadzic said in an interview with the Bosnian Serbs' press agencv. SRNA.

The Security Council authorized NATO warplanes to shoot down aircraft that violate a ban on flights over Bosnia-Herzegovina. But the council bowed to the demands of Russia, a longtime Serhian ally, and ruled out the preemptive bombing of Serbian airfields. The resolution was supported by 14 of the 15 nations on the council. China abstained.

UN peacekeeping forces re-sponded to worries that their soldiers might now be in danger from the Bosnian Serbs following the de-cision on the no-flight zone by say-ing that UN efforts to resolve the conflict were more important.

The British government said it was ready to help enforce the noflight zone, overcoming initial reservations about the plan and its impact on British troops in Bosnia. The United Kingdom is in principle willing to contribute aircraft to the enforcement task," Defense

Minister Jonathan Aitken said in a statement to Parliament. "We are discussing with NATO the nature and scale of the U.K. contribution and those of other nations," be added. Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Ger-

many planned to interrupt a spring vacation for a cahinet vote over whether Germans would help enforce the air-exclusion zone. Meanwhile, in Bosnia, tens of

thousands of desperate refugees remained trapped in Stebrenica after evacuations were suspended because several people were trampled or crushed to death in two previous evacuations. Officials of Bosnia's Muslim-led

government said Wednesday that Srebrenica had come under renewed Serbian attack. Bosnian radio said that Serbian artillery fire killed two people and wounded seven on Wednesday, and that Serbs apparently had set fire to villages near Srebrenica.

The United Nations, in a statement, denied the reports, calling them "irresponsible rumors, which can only damage the cause of peace."

Nevertheless, a 4-day-old cease-fire across Bosnia was in danger of collapsing. Bosnian radio reported sniper fire and artillery shelling by Serbs, and radio in Serb-dominate Yugoslavia said there were clashes

throughout Bosnia. Ron Redmond of the UN refugee office in Geneva said the evacuations from Srehrenica were "put on hold" Wednesday.

"We're trying to come up with some sort of plan as quickly as possible to make this more orderly and more safe," he said, "We don't want any more deaths from this

Six people, including four children, were trampled or crushed to death Wednesday as thousands of Muslim refugees tried to flee Srehrenica on UN trucks. The town is surrounded by Serbs and is one of the last areas of eastern Bosnia not captured by Serbs.

An spokesman for the UN force in the Croavan capital. Zagreb. said the Serbs had given approval for another helicopter evacuation from Srebrenica to Tuzla, but so far it was not being used.

A first helicopter evacuation from Srebrenica last week was called off after the Serbs shelled the landing zone. (Reuters, AFP, AP)



Roland Dumas, right, foreign minister in the Socialist-dominated government that lost power, at a Paris transition ceremony. His successor, Alain Juppé of the Rally for the Republic, is at left. With them is the former European Affairs minister, Elisabeth Guigou.

Kohl Won't See Balladur Until April 22

BONN - France's new conservative prime minister, Edouard Balladur, will meet Chancel-

chancellery said Thursday.

The meeting is seen as symbolizing the importance of the French-German partnership for the new center-right government in Paris and its commitment to the EC and monetary sys-

lor Helmnt Kohl in Bonn on April 22, the

An earlier meeting could not be scheduled because Mr. Kohl will be on vacation in Austria until April 19.

Chancellery officials said the two leaders would discuss bilateral issues and efforts to reach a world free trade accord in the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade negotiacions.

By Barry James

PARIS - Although its strength is not

reflected in the National Assembly, the far-

right National Front could be poised for a major political advance if France's new cen-

ter-right government does not live up to its

promises, according to political analysts.

"Slowly but surely it is installing itself in

the political landscape," said Nonna Mayer,

director of the Center for the Study of French

Political Life. "It will not disappear even if

Jean-Marie Le Pen, its leader, disappears,"

in the National Assembly on Sunday, it still

retains widespread popular support that has

not been fully reflected by the French elector-

It has a trained leadership, a hard core of militants and an increasingly extended and across-classes electoral base.

parliamentary election, analysts said that a

future protest vote could turn from the right

to the extreme right, rather than to the left, if

political and economic conditions did not

Polls show that even if voters do not want

the National Front in government, large

numbers of them support it on specific issues,

particularly its nationalistic and xenophobic

opposition to immigration. Under a propor-

MILAN - Another senior exec-

utive of the carmaker Fiat SpA,

Italy's flagship company, faced ar-

rest Thursday in the country's cor-

rupoon scandal, according to judi-

Milan's magistrates, who are

heading the inquiry into political kickbacks, ordered the arrest of

Mauro Bertini, a senior manager as

Fiat's aviation and engineering

subsidiary Fiat Avio, indicial

be abroad, is charged with paying a 400 billion lire bribe (\$250 million)

to political parties to win a gas

Mr. Bertini, who was believed to

ciai sources.

With the Socialist Party crushed in the

While the National Front lost its one seat

ional Herald Tribune

Foreign Minister Alain Juppe will meet the German foreign minister, Klaus Kinkel, in Bonn on Monday. This is a sign of the value that the government attaches to pursuing close and intensive relations with Germany," a spokesman said in

Mr. Kinkel urged France last month not to take any action that might endanger the GATT talks, which are vitally important for Germany's export-dependent economy.

He said any attempt to restart the talks from scratch, as leading French politicians have urged, would be unacceptable to Bonn.

French Far Right: A Hidden Advance

tional representation system, the National

Front would have received at least 64 seats.

The National Front has turned into a

"catch-all party" for all sorts of protest, rang-

ing from rejection of Europe to anti-Ameri-

canism and from anger over immigration to

In the first round of the election on March

21, the National Front scored an overall 12.4

percent, only 5 percentage points behind the formerly governing Socialists. Because the score was less than the 14.4 percent it ob-

tained in the 1988 presidential elections, it indicated that the National Front had suf-

fered a setback, rather than the extent to

which it has moved beyond its traditional

The National Front obtained more than 25

percent of the vote in 19 departments —

compared with 8 in the 1988 legislative elec-

tions - and has extended its influence con-

holds in the south and in the Paris region.

about 50 constituencies, leading the Abbé

Pierre, a priest and social reformer, to warn

the French that they are "playing with fire" in looking to the National Front for solutions.

hraud, said that Mr. Le Pen "is perfectly

armed and positioned to sow discord within

the new parliament, for even if he has no

deputies, he still disposes of two weapons

4th Fiat Official Faces Arrest for Bribery

ment to its knees.

oon charges.

On Wednesday night, magis-trates arrested a local businessman

and university professor and charged him with being a middle-

man in the deal to secure the tur-

The arrest followed the release

from jail earlier on Wednesday of

Fiat's finance director, Francesco

Paglo Mattioli, No. 3 in the compa-

ny's hierarchy. He had been held for more than a month on corrup-

Mr. Mattioli's release came after

a late-night interrogation at Mi-lan's San Vittore jail at which the

bine contract for Fiat Avio.

Another commentator, André Cham-

siderably beyond its long-standing strong-

It won more than 30 percent of the vote in

social and regional bailiwicks.

fear of unemployment.

Germany is showing increasing irritation over France's opposition to the U.S.-EC farm compromise of last year.

French officials in Paris said a senior German envoy visited members of President Francois Mitterrand's staff Monday, the day after French officials in Paris said a senior Gercois Mitterrand's staff Monday, the day after the second round of the French elections.

> He told the French that serious differences over trade could jeopardize the close coopera-tion between the two countries in other areas, an apparent reference to the French-German alliance against speculative attacks on the

A French official said the message contained a veiled threat. "It was all veiled and by insinuation," he said.

The new French administration has pledged to maintain a strong franc and to build even closer relations with Germany.

that have always been the force of the ex-

These he described as "intellectual terror-

Writing in the weekly L'Evenement da

ism" against the moderate right and "anti-parliamentism," playing on the weariness of many voters with the political class.

Jeudi, Mr. Chambrand said Mr. Le Pen had

the support he needed to step up provoca-

An opinion poll by the BVA agency

showed that the National Front, while retain-

ing its well-off bourgeois supporters, was also

feeding on the anger and frustrations of many in lower and middle classes, including the

unemployed, the young workers, farmers

The National Front, rather than the Com-

munists, has become the party of protest in

France, It ran second to the Communists

even in their traditional stronghold of Saint

Denis, a working-class area north of Paris.

Le Point, another weekly, said the election

result failed to show clearly the extent to which the National Front has built up a

stable following and has become France's

fourth-largest party, ahead of the Communists and the ecologists.

Its strategy, according to analysts, will be

to build up grass-roots strength in municipal and local elections, while biding time for

another bid at national power.

tions and demonstrations.

and small storekeepers.

UN Aide Says Iraq Has Missile Ability BAGHDAD (Renters) — Iraq still has the ability to produce ballistic rissiles, a senior United Nations arms expert said Thursday.

lish their bona fides as negotiators.

"Iraq, with its industrial capability and expertise acquired, could produce missiles, there's no doubt about that," a UN inspector, Nikita Smidovitch, said at the end of his latest mission in Baghdad. "That's why it is important for us to have long-term monitoring activities."

Mr. Smidovitch arrived in Baghdad on Saturday with a message that sanctions would not be lifted unless Iraq complied with Security Council. Gulf War resolutions. During his stay, he said his team of eight specialists

WORLD BRIEFS

High PLO Official Is Slain in Beirut

BETRUT (Renters) — Gunmen assassinated the top official in Beinut, of the Palestine Liberation Organization's mainstream El Fatah movement Thursday, the 10th killing this year in a Palestinian power struggle. Two men with pistols shot Colonel Ihsan Mohammed Salem's as he walked near his home in the suburb of Talet al-Kayvat, security somes:

said. The gunmen escaped on foot, Colonel Salem, 45, known by his non-de guerre, Yunis Awad, died instantly.

The shooting was the latest in a power struggle in Lebauon tearing apart El Fatah, led by the PLO chairman, Yasser Arafar, and the radical Fatah Revolutionary Council headed by Abu Nidal. El Fatah said in a statement that agents of the Israeli secret service Mossad and Arab intelligence consider billed Colonal Salam El Fatah accuracy the Bernalli

intelligence services killed Colonel Salem. El Fatah accuses the Revolutionary Council of being linked to Arah and Israeli spy agencies.

Accusations Mark South Africa Talks

JOHANNESBURG (Remers) - Multiparty constitutional talks resumed in South Africa on Thursday after a bloodstained break of almost

a year, and a war of words swiftly broke out over the killings that have

endangered progress to democracy.

President Frederik W. de Klerk's white minority government and

society is currently literally in a process of destruction." He was speaking to the 26-party conference at the World Trade Center outside Johannesburg. "Anyone who might imagine that we will be able to institute democratic affections under present circumstances, not even considering to the contract of the contract of

ing holding a free and fair democratic election, must be living in a dream

TOKYO (AP) — Executives from a bank and a securities from testified Thursday to a parliamentary committee that an arrested former political figure. Shin Kanemaru, and his wife bought more than \$40 million of anonymous bonds, but said they believed the investments were legal.

anonymous bonds, but said they believed the investments were legal.

Seishi Matsuoka, the president of Nippon Credit Bank, suspected of helping Mr. Kanemaru conceal income, refused to say whether other politicians also had bought bearer bonds. The bonds are commonly used to avoid taxes since they can be bought anonymously. Kagetoshi Oka, an executive of Okasan Securities Co., testified that his company had bought

2 billion yen (\$17.4 million) of bonds on two occasions at the request of

Mr. Kanemaru, 78, considered the kingmaker in the governing party, has been charged with evading taxes on 1.85 billion yen. He was freed on bail of 300 million yen bail Monday after three weeks of interrogation in a widening scandal over how he amassed his fortune.

Mr. Kanemaru's wife, Etsuko, who died in December 1991.

2 Testify on Kanemaru's Dealings

The bare fact is," said Law and Order Minister Heraus Kriel, "our

checked several missile-producing installations to ensure that no prohibited action was taking place in them.

69% in Australia Poll Want Republic

CANBERRA (Reuters) - Nearly 7 out of 10 Australians want their country to replace Queen Elizabeth II as head of state and become a

republic, according to a poll published on Thursday.

But more than two-thirds of those who said they wanted a republic also favored Australia staying within the Commonwealth. The telephone survey of 1,200 people in the states of New South Wales and Victoria was published in The Sydney Mouning Herald.

Only 27 percent of respondents said they wanted the queen to stay that detection is the states of the property of the states of the said they wanted the queen to stay that detection is the states of the said they wanted they wanted the said they wanted the said they wanted t

head of state while 69 percent said they wanted to drop the monarchy. Prime Minister Paul Keating, whose governing Labor party won padiamentary elections on March 13 elections, has pledged to create a panel to study how the country could become a republic by the year 2001.

Armenians Seize More of Azerbaijan

MOSCOW (AP) - Armenian forces backed by warplanes and tanks scized new Azerbaijani territory on Wednesday, occupying villages and cutting off thousands of Azerbaijanis from the rest of their country, officials said.

Azerbaijan appealed to Russia, Iran, Turkey and the United States to stop the flare up in the five-year war over Nagorno-Karabakh. The Christian American enclave within Muslim Azerbaijan is one of the most volatile regions in the former Soviet Union.

Officials in Azerbaijan said Armenian forces were attacking Kelbajar and Lachin, two regions between Armenia and Nagorno-Karabakh, the ltar-Tass and Interfax news agencies reported. Nagorno-Karabakh officials confirmed the advance but gave few details.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Egypt plans to bolster security at towist sites with police checkpoints to protect the pyramids and other measures from Muslim militant attacks, officials said Thursday. The measures followed an explosion Tuesday inside the Pyramid of Clephren.

American Airlines says it is stopping flights to and from Stansted Airport, London's third-ranked commercial airport, on May 31. The airline cited heavy losses and lack of business travelers. (Reusers) electricity firm ENEL. Fiat offi-cials declined to comment ment to its knees. revealed how Italy's largest private-sector company was forced to pay

Souvenir hawkers have been banned from selling their wares in St. Mark's Square in Venice and just outside the Uffizi gallery in Florence. Italy's Cultural Ministry issued the decree because it said the presence of Italy's Cultural Ministry issued the decree occause it said that processes souvenir carts was incompatible with the artistic and cultural heritage of (AP) nel funds to political parties to win contracts for its building, engineer-ing and railroad divisions.

A strike by 63,000 rail workers worried about job cuts is expected to shut down the British Rail network throughout the country on Friday. Bus drivers in London are also set to stay at home.

Italian unions have called on millions of workers to join a general strike Friday to protest unemployment. The work stoppages will affect transportation, industry and government offices. Air traffic will be halted from wide policy of kickbacks and that if 2 P.M. to 6 P.M., while trains will stop from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. The postal service will be shut all day.

New Slaughter in Cambodia Village

cials declined to comment.

lic-sector contracts.

Mr. Bertini, who joined Fiat Avio in 1988, would be the fourth

senior Fiat official to be arrested in

the inquiry into how political par-

ties financed themselves by system-

atically levying kickbacks on pub-

A warrant has also been issued

for a fifth executive, the head of

Fiat's London-based agricultural

machinery division, who is still out

of the country.
About 200 businessmen have

been arrested across the country

and at least as many warnings of

investigation issued to politicians

turbine contract from the state in the bribery scandal, which has Fiat executive was reported to have

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It was the third massacre within three weeks believed to have been carried out by the radical faction. Initial reports received by the United Nations indicated that those killed were Cambodian, not ethnic Vietnamese as in previous attacks, and were unarmed civil-

The attackers fired four rockers

DEATH NOTICE

ABDEL HADI DEBS left us on March 30, 1993, in Paris. He is remembered by his wife,

Maha, his son, Bassam, his daughters, Hana wife of N. Akkan, Hadia and Dania wife of K. Sakka. Funeral services will be held on the 2nd of April, 1993, in Beirut, Lebanon. eo hall in Snau village, in the Kom- war among four rival factions. pong Svay district of northwest Kompong Thom Province, a UN official said. "It looks like DK," he said refer-

ring to Democratic Kamonchea. the official title of the Khmer

A UN task force was preparing on Thursday morning to fly to the village, the official said.

In an unrelated incident, two officials from the pro-royalist Funcinpec opposition party were killed in northwest Battambang Province, another UN official said.

pendent, Neutral and Free Cambodia, led by Prince Norodom Rana- A 747 Cargo Jet riddh, son of the head of state. Prince Norodom Sihanouk. The royalists have been a main target of political killings.

and antomatic weapons into a vid- October 1991 aimed at ending civil But thousands of ethnic Viet-

namese are fleeing their homes along the Tonle Sap, or Great Lake, to escape violence, some aiming to leave Cambodia altogether. At least 103 ethnic Vietnamese have been slain since the Paris pact The Khmer Rouge has a long-

standing hatred for the Vietnam ese, who invaded Cambodia in late 1978, ending its bloody four-year rule during which, by some estimates, 2 million people died.

Funcinged is the French acronym for United Front for an Inde-

ANCHORAGE, Alaska - An Cambodia is becoming increasingly violent with ethnic Vietnamlence, narrowly missing an apartment complex and a shopping mall. The jet's three other engines conheading towards peace after the tinued working and the plane land-signing of an agreement in Paris in ed safely Wednesday afternoon.

ASIAN TOPICS

Magistrates have accused Fiat of

running offshore accounts to chan-

The company, which employs more than 300,000 people, has de-

nied it operated any slush funds.

It says there was no company

any executives paid bribes it was

the political parties.

ause they were forced into it by

Singapore Litterbugs Publicly Humiliated Singapore is penalizing litter-

bugs with public humiliation, raising objections that this smacks of Mae Zedong'a Cultural Revolution. Recently, 10 litterbugs had to wear neon-green vests and pick up rubbish for an hour in front of jeering onlookers, television crews and newspaper photographers.

A government spokesman said hefty fines had failed to stop littering. A new law requires culprits to perform three hours of community service. The Singapore 10 were the first to he sentenced. This brought a rare outcry from six members of Parliament of the ruling People's Action Party, as well as from citizens who phoned newspapers

Teo Chong Tee, a party back-bencher, said, "What Singapor-eans saw on television and in the newspapers vividly brought to mind how the so-called counterrevolutionaries during the 196676 Cultural Revolution in China were ridiculed and humiliated: that is, paraded as dunces in the streets to the amusement, boos and jeers of onlookers." **Environment Minister Ahmad**

Mattar was unmoved. Litterers should feel "a sense of shame," he said. "Media coverage will serve to remind the public of the consequences."

Around Asia The Japanese eat too much salt

and fat in a diet increasingly unbalanced by processed food and take-aways, the Health and Welfare Ministry said. Its annual survey of eating habits, covering 20,000 people over a three-day period, showed that sait intake per day had increased 0.4 grams to 12.9 grams. The ministry reccommends 10 grams a day. It also said fat intake had risen 0.1 percentage points to 25.4 percent of overall nutrition intake. The recommended maximum limit for adults is 25 percent. Excess salt and fat are main causes of high blood pressure and hardening of the arteries.

An 81-year-old Hong Kong woman fell from her sixth-floor apartment while leaning out the window to hang clothes on a dry-ing rack but was saved by her

loose-fitting trousers, police said. As Yip Han-wan fell, the troasers caught on a hook protruding from the side of the building. She was treated for minor injuries. .

down at \$10 meters (2,660 feet) a minute, making it the fastest sky-scraper elevator in the world, has been developed by Hitachi Ltd., the Japanese electronics conglomerate, a spokesman announced. At more than 30 miles (48 kilometers) an hour, it would not be as fast as the swiftest elevator anywhere, which is in a South African coal mine and moves at up to 1,096 meters a minute. But it would he faster than the speediest skyscraper elevators in current use, the 600meter-per-minute lifts in the Sunshine 60 Building in Tokyo, according to the Guinness Book

Deng Xisoping, China's senior leader, governs without benefit of official title. But he does have at least one title, says Bradford Trebach of New York in a letter to The Washington Post: Mr. Deng is honorary president of the China Bridge Players Associ-

Arthur Highee

FIRST 100 DAYS / A POLICY REVERSAL

Military Experts at Odds on Homosexual Ban

WASHINGTON — The Senate Armed Service Committee was told by several specialists on the military that allowing acknowledged homosexuals in the armed forces would undermine unit cohesion, but the specialists differed sharply over how serious the

In hearings on President Bill Clinton's intention to lift the ban on homosexuals in the military, the committee focused on the pivotal issue of how the move would affect the morale and cohesion of U.S.

Lawrence Korb, the former Pentagon manpower chief who in the early 1980s helped put the ban into effect, said his view about the role of homosexuals in the military had evolved and he now supported removing the prohibition. Like earlier efforts to integrate women and blooker the prohibition. and blacks into the military, said Mr. Korb, who is now a fellow at the Brookings Institution, integrating open homosexuals would be difficult but nothing that "proper leadership and training" could not

But two other expert witnesses — William Darryl Henderson, eather of a book on combat unit cohesion, and David H. Marlow, lead of military psychiatry for an army research institute — told the committee they opposed Mr. Clinton's initiative, which they said could destroy the cohesion of small combat units. At the same time, they objected to the armyleism of homographic investor for being

could destroy the cohesion of small combat units. At the same time, they objected to the expulsion of homosexuals simply for being homosexual and not for violating any military standards of behavior. As the session ended, each side in the debate was claiming victory. Advocates of homosexual rights based their optimism largely on the testimony of Mr. Korb, who argued that integrating acknowledged homosexuals into the military would have "less short-term impact" on their chesion then any other change the military had been

on unit cohesion than any other change the military had been required to make in the past 50 years.

Opponents of the ban were cheered by the comments of several senators who were critical of the military's current policy of discharging individuals for acknowledging their homosexuality, not for appreciate in any misconduct.

engaging in any misconduct.

Hearings were expected to resume after the Easter recess, when the committee is scheduled to question foreign military leaders about their experiences in allowing acknowledged homosexuals into their

House Aide Pleads Gulity in Post Office Case

WASHINGTON — In what may be a breakthrough in the long-running investigation of the House post office, a congressional aide has pleaded guilty to three felony counts and agreed to cooperate with U.S. government investigators.

The aide, Gerald W. Wesver 2d, who had worked for Representative Joe Kolter, Democrat of Pennsylvania, pleaded guilty to obstruction of justice, conspiracy, and possession and distribution of cocaine. Under the plea agreement, Mr. Weaver promised to provide information and testimony about his work as administrative assistant information and testimony about his work as administrative assistant to Mr. Kolter, "including information he may have on the embezzlement of government property, misappropriation of stamps

and misuse of campaign funds."

Mr. Kolter has been under investigation along with two other
Democrats, Representatives Dan Rostenkowski of Illinois and Austin J. Murphy of Pennsylvania, Mr. Kolter, a former member of the Hoose committee that supervised the post office, has said he did nothing improper. He was defeated last year in a primary. (NYT)

Quote/Unquote

David H. Marlowe, a social anthropologist and chief of the military psychiatry department of the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, testifying before the Senate Armed Services Committee on the administration's proposal to lift the ban on homosexuals in the military; "What I favor is not looking at private behavior and not making someone accountable for what's in his or her head." (LAT)

Senator John W. Warner of Virginia, senior Republican member of the Armed Services Committee: "It seems to me, one by one, the arguments supporting a change in policy are falling." (NYT)

Away From Politics

· More than one in five Americans, or 56 million people, are infected with a sexually transmitted viral disc se luke herr according to a study announced in Washington. Such viral infections can be controlled but not cured, and the symptoms often recur.

Fo Sergeant Robert Pete, a Louisiana National Guardeman convicted of inciting fellow guardsmen to motiny in Fort Hood, Texas, during the Gulf War, was freed from a military prison. He was released in Leavenworth, Kansas, a day after the Army's Clemency and Parole Board decided he had served enough time.

a Almost three-quarters of journalists who write about the environ ment believe their colleagues lack the training to cover technical environmental issues, according to a survey released in Baltimore. While newspapers and TV stations have increased the quantity of environmental reporting, few journalists are happy with the quality of coverage, according to the survey, presented during the 70th annual meeting of the American Society of Newspaper Editors.

• Laurence M. Powell, the Los Angeles police officer who delivered the majority of baton bluws against the black motorist Rodney G. King, rested his case without taking the witness stand, a surprise development that rocked the civil rights trial of the officers.

· New York State's landmark health insurance law, which ends the practice of setting higher rates for the elderly and less healthy, has had the expected result of driving up the average price of commercial insurance for individuals, by 18 percent, and for small groups, by 19 percent, according to the state insurance Department in Albany. While the law gives consumers more choice of coverage, several commercial insurers have pulled out of the small-group market in the state rather than comply with the law, which goes into effect

 The Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist Wallace Stegaer was in guarded condition at a Santa Fe, New Mexico, hospital Wednesday after a traffic accident. Stegner, 84, had improved enough to be moved from the hospital's intensive care unit.

U.S. to Ask Renewal Of Funds to Groups That Aid Abortion

By Steven A. Holmes New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — Reversing

rly a decade of American policy, the Clinton administration has decided to ask Congress to renew financing for two international groups that either provide or pay for abortions and had lost their funds under the Reagan adminis-

The president of one group, the UN Fund for Population Activi-ties, said in an interview that she received assurances from senior State Department officials that the administration intended to ask Congress for at least \$20 milhion, and perhaps as much as \$40 million, for the agency in the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1.

Similarly, an executive of International Planned Parenthood Fed-

eration said administration officials had indicated that his group would get about \$12 million in cash and \$3 million in goods, mainly

State Department officials confirmed that the administration planned to resume grants to the two organizations, though they de-clined to specify the amounts.

The money for the two groups is a small portion of the \$430 million

that the United States currently spends on international population programs. But restoring the funds marks a sharp break from a policy shaped primarily by the Reagan and Bush administrations' oppositioo to abortion.

"It's a total reversal," Timothy E. Wirth, the former Colorado senator, said Wednesday. He has been nominated counselor of the State Department, where he would direct population policy.

There is an awareness in the

administration," he said, "that if the United States does not aggressively re-enter the population bat-tle to try to level off the world's population, and doesn't do it now, the chances of having the world's population stop between 9 billion and 10 billion people are zero, and we will move rapidly toward 12 billion to 15 billion."

Present population is nearly 5.5 billion and is growing by a billion people every 11 years.

President Bill Clinton signaled the change on Jan. 22 when he signed an executive order that scut-tled the policy instituted by the Reagan administration in 1984. The policy denied funds to any private organizations that "support or actively promote abortion as a method of family planning."

Thus, the International Planned Parenthood Federation and similar groups could not get money from shington if they provided abortion counseling, even if that counseling was paid for by other govern-

A year later, Congress passed the Kemp-Kasten amendment, which prohibited funds for any program or organization that "supports or participates in management of a program of coercive abortion or involuntary sterilization." This ended Washington's support for the population agency of the Unit-ed Nations because of its affiliation with programs in China that reportedly forced women to have abortions.

Groups opposed to abortion promise a court fight over the new

"The facts haven't changed," said Douglas Johnson, legislative director of the National Right tu Life Committee. There is still abundant evidence from diplomatie, journalistic and academic sources that coercion is applied sys-tematically in China's population

The United States had covered 25 percent of the budget for Inter-national Planned Parenthood, according to Mark Laskins, the assistant secretary-general. Nafis Sadik, the head of the agency, said her organization had to cut back on

family planning programs, particu-larly in Africa.

But officials from both organizations say European countries, par-ticularly the Netherlands, Norway and Sweden, increased their contributions to make up for the loss.

Any court challenge to the new policy may be rendered moot by a bill being drafted by Constance A. Morella, a Maryland Republican, that would repeal Kemp-Kaster and allow support for the UN agency, while still prohibiting aid for UN population programs in China. Mr. Clinton's January execurive order had no effect on Kemp-

House Newcomers Go Easy on Reform

By Clifford Krauss

New Yark Times Servee
WASHINGTON — First-term House
Democrats have issued their long-awaited reform package, proposing to trim the wings of lobbyists and toughen campaign finance

The recommendations of the 63 oewcomers culminated a three-month effort to stage what critics of Congress hoped would be a

rebellion against pork and perks.

After two nights of debate, negotiations and lobbying by congressional leaders, the freshmen pulled back from some of the strongest proposals and couched those they passed in broad and modest language.

But they did call for a 25 percent cut in the budget for the legislative branch over five years, a position resisted by the Democratic leadership, and they presented a long list of proposed restrictions on lobbyists and fund-

raising.
"This may not be a revolution," said J.
Nathan Deal, Democrat of Georgia. "But at

least we're marching to our own drummer and oot necessarily to that of the leadership."

To alleviate the abuses of special interests, the new representatives called for legislation to require lobbyists to itemize expenses, to enhance lobbyist registration requirements and to eliminate tax deductions of lobbying

They stopped short of calling for public campaign financing because more than 20 Democratic freshmen opposed the concept or

But they called for voluntary spending limits on campaigns, limitations on contribu-tions from political action committees and tight restrictions on money that individuals give to party organizations, known as soft

Among ideas that they dropped were term limits on on committee chairmen, the aboli-tion of free parking at Washington National Airport and a limit of \$50 on gifts that

Mr. Deal and a few others also wanted to challenge the seniority system. But their efforts were resisted by a coalition of minority members and lawmakers from strongly Dem-ocratic districts who hope to become chair-

In the end, most freshmen were more concerned with pushing the Clinton economic program than causing divisions in Democrat-

Still, the Democratic reform package of-fered stinging criticism of the way politics is conducted on Capitol Hill. "In election campaigns and in the halls of Congress, special-interest money consistently undermines rep-resentative government," its manifesto states. "Well-financed special interests use their considerable clout to distort the message or

drown out the voices of the people."

The proposals received a lukewarm response from the House speaker, Thomas S. Foley of Washington, "All of them will not be rejected," he said, "and probably all of them will oot he accepted."

In Senate,



Vancouver Convention Center employees preparing press kits for the Yeltsin-Clinton summit meeting this weekend.

Spinning Into the Summit

Russian Official Says Crisis Made Yeltsin Stronger

and the West.

By Celestine Bohlen New York Times Service

MOSCOW - President Boris N. Yeltsin will be leaving for his weekend talks with President Bill Clinton in Vancouver in a stronger position after his showdown with the Congress of People's Depu-

ties, the Russian foreign minister said. The minister, Andrei V. Kozyrev, who took his share of political heat at the turbulent four-day session, said Mr. Yeitsin faced "no problem" in leaving the country at this stage in its pobtical

"The situation is firmly under control," be said Wednesday.

"What really happened at the Congress was a showdown, and it clarified things," Mr. Kozyrev said. "What is important is to clearly see who stands for what and where is democracy. This is much better position for Yeltsin, especially before

Mr. Kozyrev said the events of the last week, mated in a vote that narrowly failed to oust Mr. Yeltsin from office, showed that at this stage in the battle over economic and political change in Russia there was no middle ground. "Unfortunately there is no center in those who

pretended to be centrist forces," he said. Uotil now, the majority in the Congress, which opposes Mr. Yeltsin, could argue that it only wanted to "make corrections on the path to reform." he said.

"This kind of mythology was there before the Congress," he said. "Now it is absolutely clear that the alternative to Yeltsin's policy is really a reversal, something very dark and frightening

In the current political atmosphere, Mr. Ko-zyrev said, the chances are practically nonexistent any time soon for a ratification in the Russian parliament of the second Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty - a sweeping agreement signed with

great fanfare in January by President George Bush

and Mr. Yeltsin in Moscow. But, he said, if the results of the referendum on April 25 give Mr. Yeltsin a solid victory, then the parliament, which is made up of members of the larger Congress, may swing back toward a more conciliatory position, both toward the government

"After the referendum, there will be a new political situation in the country," he predicted. "Uotil the deputies realize they were led further to the reactionary side than society itself, it will be very difficult to persuade them to ratify anything

Mr. Kozyrev said that the meeting in Vancouver should reinforce Mr. Yeltsin's image at home at a time when be is representing himself as a demo-cratic leader doing battle with "red-browns," as Mr. Kozyrev habitually refers to the Communistnationalist opposition.

It is important that the democratic, first popularly elected leader of Russia, who reiterates his power oot through tanks, but by again appealing to the people, meets with the democratically elected leader of one of the greatest democracies of the world," be said.

Mr. Kozyrev, who was in Washington recently to prepare for the meeting, said he had told offi-cials that Moscow was not looking for more foreign assistance but for more cooperation, on trade ucs as well as debt relief.

There is a growing recognition that Russia is not a third world country that can be served and satisfied with credit lines and aid in the classic sense of the word," be said. "What is appropriate here is cooperation, which includes technical assistance, some credit lines, assistance to stabilize the ruble, but also includes such major things as fair trade conditions."

suppliers will undercut their markets.

European countries fear Russian producers and

plus U.S. military hospital for the Russian Far East, an area that has been oeglected by Moscow. Offi-cials said that three-quarters of Mr. Clinton's program is "targeted on partners outside of Moscow," including some in "the far reaches of that vast country."

SUMMIT:

Aid as Investment

(Continued from page 1)

units, especially for Russian mili-

and Richard G. Lugar, Republican

of Indiana, who have taken a lead-

· A privatization support initia-

tive costing \$225 million over three

years to help Russia sell factories

and other publicly owned facilities

to the private sector. Management,

finance and accounting assistance for the post-privatization period will also be uffered, along with

training for Russian bankers. Such

activities had previously been a

high priority for the Bush adminis-

tration in slightly different form.

• An "coterprise fund" of \$50

million this year that would grow to

\$300 million over three years to

assist Russians in setting up busi-nesses. George Bush had planned enterprise funds of \$65 million this

New agricultural grain credits

of up to \$700 million. This is a

substantial increase over the \$560 million that the Bush administra-

oon had allocated for humanitar-

ian food assistance this year to

Russia and other former Soviet

states. U.S.-guaranteed bank loans for commercial grain sales to Rus-

sia have been halted recently be-

cause of Russia's failure to make

Nutritional supplements, medical supplies, medicines and a sur-

payments on loans outstanding.

year for former Soviet republics.

ing role in Russian aid.

, Democrat of Georgia

• Eoergy-assistance programs costing \$36 million this year, including U.S.-financed studies of WASHINGTON — President cluding U.S.-financed studies of Bill Clinton asked Congress on oil and gas-production areas. The Thursday to provide free vaccine Bush administration had planned to spend \$55 million for energy projects.
Sources said the administration

was also considering a barter deal in which U.S. engineers and oil-field managers would be sent to Russia to belp restart some of its 30,000 idle wells.

The main ingredients: \$273 billion in oew taxes over the oext five years - one of the biggest tax increases ever, defense reductions of \$106 billion below what President

George Bush had recommended; and \$117 billion in savings from noodefense programs, chiefly by cutting the size of government, reducing Medicare reimbursements for doctors and borrowing less

WASHINGTON - Seeking to save his organization from extinction, the head of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty wants operations shifted home from Germany to save money.

Gene Pell, president of Radio Free Europe-Radio Liberty, urges that those operations be located in Washington or elsewhere in the United States. "The whule thing ought to be relocated because of cost efficiencies, primarily," be said.

Mr. Pell said he would outline his ideas in a paper to he delivered here Friday at a conference on broadcasting.

The administration is considering shutting down Radio Free Europe, which broadcasts into Eastern Europe, and Radio Liberty. which is transmitted into the former Soviet republics. Broadcasting into those areas would be handled by the Voice of America.

Don Juan Dies, Stepped Aside for Juan Carlos I

New York Times Service MADRID - Juan de Borbón. who renounced his claim to the over the succession of his son. Juan Carlos, as king of Spain, died of cancer Thursday in Pamplona.

Born in the summer palace of La Granja near Segovia, Don Juan was the fourth child of King Alfonso XIII. Alfonso "suspended" the monarchy and went into exile in 1931 as the Spanish Republicans were coming into power. A month before his death he renounced his claim to the throne in favor of Don Juan in January 1941. Don Juan'a two elder brothers, one a hemophiliac married to a commoner, and the other a deaf mute, had previously rectuoced their rights to the

Critical of the Franco dictatorship that took power at the end of the 1936-1939 civil war in Spain, Don Juan lived most of his life in exile in Estoril, Portugal. He allowed Juan Carlos to be educated Spain from the age of 11.
"I think that Franco saw in my father the only person who could

dispute the legitimacy of his pow-

er." Juan Carlos told his biogra-

pher, José Luis de Vilallonga in the book, "The King,"
When Franco designated Juan Carlos 1 as his personal successor and future king of Spain in 1969,

Don Juan, then 56, faced the most difficult period of his life. Although biographers said he understood his ble."

tained that his right to the throne fore the dictator's death, Don Juan head a oew transition government gave instructions to his followers to and proclaimed a sweeping politically his son, Mr. Vilallonga cal annesty.

son's decision to accept, it caught Two days after the death of him by surprise and he felt deeply Franco on Nov. 20, 1975, Juan Carhurt. Don Juan had always main- los was sworn in as king. Just be- pointed Adolfo Suárez González to as the king. abdicated in favor of

Solly Zuckerman, Polymath, Dies

Lord Solly Zuckerman, 88, a polymath scientist who wrote classic books about monkeys and advised successive British governments on defense, has died in London following a heart attack.

As chief scientific adviser to the Ministry of Defense he was one of the first to recognize the limitations of ouclear weapons, which he said could deter but not defend.

The South African-barn peer was an example of what the British call "boffins," scientists who were drafted from the universities to help the military in World War II. Until that time, he was better known in scientific circles for his two books on primates: "The So-cial Life of Monkeys and Apes" (1932), and "Functional Affinities uf Man, Monkeys and Apes" (1933). He opposed the view of

that man's aggressiveness is mence with a keen appreciation for Universitative, a position that formed the the arts, counting Alfred Hitch-

Konrad Lorenz and Robert Ardrey

During the war, Solly Zuckerman was a scientific adviser at-

tached to joint operations bead-quarters. He studied the human and economic effects of bombing raids, and helped the Royal Air Force develop its strategy for the selective bombing of German coastal strongholds in preparation

Lord Zuckerman, who was made a peer for life in 1971, strongly defended science against those who saw it as a Faustian bargain. "Should we not spare a thought," he once said, "for the two billion or so citizens of this globe who crave -who need - the fruits of educa-tion and technology in order to lighten the squalor and poverty in which they now live?" He combined his passion for sci-

basis for many of his scientific arti-cles and books. cummings and George and fra Gershwin among his Lord Zuckerman's other great

love was the London Zoo, with which he was connected in one capacity or another for 65 years. He corded songs in history, died edited a book of "Great Zoos of the Wednesday in New York after a World" in 1980.

Trained as an anatomist, Lord Zuckerman published "A New System of Anatomy" (1961) and edited ple," "Moonlight Serenade," "Soa two-volume study called "The phisticated Lady" and bundreds of a two-volume study called "The Ovary" (1962). His books on military and defense or related themes included "Scientists and War" included "Scientists and War" (1966), "Beyond the Ivory Tower" (1970), "Nuclear Illusion and Reality" (1982) and "Scientists" (1970), "Nuclear Illusion and Reality" (1982) and "Star Wars in a
Nuclear World" (1986), He wrote
two autobiographies, "From Apes
to Warkords" (1978), and "Monkeys, Men and Missiles" (1988).

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Lyricist of 'Star Dust' NEW YORK (AP) - Mitchell

Parish, 92, who wrote the dreamy lyrics for Hoagy Carmichael's "Star Dust," one of the most-restroke. Trained as an anatomist, Lord Mr. Parish also wrote the lyrics

other songs.

Since 1969, Lord Zuckerman bune and a former correspondent had been professor at large at the for United Press International, University of East Anglia in Eng- died Tuesday near Fort Worth,

Clinton Requests Free Vaccine for All U.S. Children The Associated Press

for every child in America starting 1995 to end "the deadly onslaught of infectious diseases. "We must remove the financial

written message. The universal purchase plan would cost the government \$1.1 billion in 1995 alone. Mr. Clinton did not say how it would be paid for. But be is expected to seek an immunization budget of \$839 mil-lion for fiscal 1994, which begins Oct. 1.

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pede children from being vaccinat-

ed on time." Mr. Clinton said in a

The White House's proposed bill would authorize the federal government "to purchase and provide childhood vaccines in quantities sufficient to meet the immunization oceds of children in the United

The White House said the cost of a full course of vaccine for one child has soared in the private sector to \$244.10 in 1992, from \$23.29 in 1982. The cost of vaccine bought for public programs has jumped from \$6.69, to \$122.28.

Cleared on Party Vote

WASHINGTON - Democrats completed congressional actino Thursday on the outlines of President Bill Clinton's \$496 billion deficit-reduction plan, vowing to re-verse what they called "the most irresponsible fiscal policy" in the

nation's history.

The plan cleared the Senate on a 55-to-45 vote. The House passed it on a 240-to-184 roll call Wednesday night. Not a single Republican voted for the measure in either

Mr. Clinton, meeting with congressional leaders at the White House on Thursday morning, said he was pleased with the Senate vote. Asked if he was worried about the stimulus package that is still pending, be said: "I think we can

pass it. We'll keep working oo it." Lawmakers will decide later this year whose taxes will be raised and what spending programs will be restrained to make the dedicit cuts a reality. Mr. Clinton's plan envisions hefty income tax increases on the well-off, a major energy tax and deep reductions in military spend-

Jim Sasser, Democrat of Tennessee and chairman of the Senate tary officers now stationed in the Budget Cummittee said that a vote Baltic states who have refused to return to Russia because they have

against the package was "simply a vote for doing nothing." A negative vote, he added, would no bomes to go back to. This initiative, which would be a new one, be "going down the same road we was recommended by Senators oing down for the past 12 years," and would bring "contiming ecocomic stagnation" and

forever-escalating deficits." Mr. Clinton's plan will turn around "12 years of the most irresponsible fiscal policy," Mr. Sasser said, "in the history of our coun-

Senator Pete Domenici of New Mexico, senior Republican on the Budget Committee, labeled the plan the largest tax increase in his-

"If we don't get the deficit under control with \$272 billion of new taxes," he asked, "what's next? Another round of taxes? "The greatest of all April Fool's jukes is that this bill will not create

jubs," he added, and "will oot reduce the deficit." Only two Democratic senators Richard C. Shelby of Alabama and Bob Krueger of Texas - voted

against the plan. Twelve House Democrats opposed it. It will take additional action in the House and Senate later this year to actually raise any taxes, just as further votes will be needed to carry out the spending restraints envisioned in the budget outline. This blueprint merely sets targets for Congress to follow, it does not

require the president's signature. The deficit-reduction plan is built into a proposed \$1.5 trillion budget for the 1994 fiscal year. which begins Oct. 1. The 1994 deficit would be about \$250 billion. But if the plan works, the red ink would be shrunk by an average of \$100 billion a year below what it would be otherwise, to \$192 billion by the end of 1997.

Chief of Radio Free Europe Urges a Move Back to U.S.

Israel's Ties That Bind: Jobs Crisis or Not, Palestinians Need the Work

By David Hoffman

Washington Past Service
JERUSALEM — On a cold, drizzly morning, huddled under a piece of cardboard, Kayid Shalaidi scanned the traffic on a boulevard north of Jerusalem, looking for the pickup trucks and vans driven by Israeli building contractors.

Before dawn, the grizzled Mr. Shalaldi had left his village, Saier, in the Occupied West Bank, where he supports a family of 11. He shared a taxi to Jerusalem. Now, as commuters whizzed past, he stood in front of a smoky fire to keep warm, watching, waiting, hoping to find

Suddenly, a truck pulled over. Mr. Shalaidi and a dozen of his friends scrambled inside and began a furious negotiation for jobs, but the contractor insisted he wanted only two men. The rest got out, and the truck sped

away. This brief scene, repeated each day, is at the root of renewed tensions building in Israeli and Palestinian society in recent weeks. After a spate of violent attacks against Israelis, the gov-ernment sealed off the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip and barred more than 100,000 Palestinians from their jobs in Israel and in Jewish settlements in the occupied territories. The government said the territories will remain closed "until further no-

The Palestinians need the work they get in Israel. In areas such as the Gaza Strip, the employment situation is grim; re-cently when the United Nations advertised a cleaning job paying \$400 a month, 11,466 people ap-

Many of the violent attacks have centered on work, or lack of it. Two Palestinians fatally stabbed their Israeli boss in the tomato hothouses of Gaza: others killed an Israeli who drove Palestinians to work on the farms; an unemployed Palestin-ian flailed out at random at Is-

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raelis on a street in Tel Aviv. The reaction from Israeli Jews has been a chorus of demands to expel Palestinians from Israeli workplaces. The new rallying cry has become "separation" of Arah and Jew.

But, while the political demands for separation have grown louder, the economic bonds will make it far more difficult to achieve.

An ad for a cleaning job in Gaza paying \$400 a month drew 11,466 applications.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin declared that "the less of them that will work in Israel, the better." When the territories were closed this week, hundreds of businesses asked the government for help in finding Jews to re-place Palestinian workers.

But for all the heated thetoric the scene every morning at Jerusalem's day-labor market has remained remarkably unchanged in recent years, except for the opening of a spacious new boule-vard on which contractors can pull over to negotiate a day's work with the waiting Palestin-ians. Similar markets thrive in all of Israel's major cities.

The reason is that Israel's construction and agriculture indus-tries are addicted to cheap Palestinian labor, and the Palestinian workers are similarly dependent on Israeli wages. Neither side can afford to let go, despite the waves of violence and political

Even the five-year-old intifada, the Palestinian uprising against Israeli rule, has done very little to change the basic pattern, although the workers lost income through self-imposed strikes and Israeli closures of the territories. Each morning, they cram into taxis for the long ride from West Bank villages into Jerusalem, or into buses, from Gaza to Tel Aviv; each afternoon they flood back again. Those coming to Jerusalem pay the \$8 taxi fare in the hope of landing a job paying \$25 a day. Many work without

permits and receive no benefits. While political leaders talk about the need to separate the two societies, the day-to-day economic reality is that they are intertwined. On any day throughout Israel, the checkered headdress of Palestinian construction workers is as familiar a sight as the olive-drab uniform of soldiers.

"The Palestinians are very dependent on the Israeli workplace now, and for a few more years it will be crucial for them," said the economist Eli Sagi, whose firm, Economic Models Ltd., has created a simulation of the Palestinian economy. "I don't think we can close these links. Nobody forces the Israeli employer to hire Palestinians, and nobody forces the Palestinians at gun-point to go to jobs in Israel."

They go because of a deeper imbalance that looms large as Israel and the Palestinians negotiate the terms of a possible separation, leading to autonomy or self-rule by Palestinians in the territories. The imbalance is that Israel's \$60 billion economy is a behemoth compared to the \$3 billion output of the territories. The Palestinians have been

able to develop relatively little in the way of industry and resources. Only 9 percent of them have gone beyond a high school education, compared with 28 percent of Israelis, The Palestinians' largest export to Israel is their labor.

In addition to the Palestinians working each day in Israel itself, an estimated 50,000 work in the territories -- in small shops or at home - for Israeli subcontractors and are dependent on Israeli firms for their livelihood.

GERMANS: Scandals Seem Minor, but Damage to Public Trust Is Real JAPAN:

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Force flight from Washington to San Francisco

without paying.
"It's all a witch himt against me," Mr. Kranse told reporters, adding that he will now pay the Defense Ministry an amount still to be determined as his son's fare. "It's clear that I'm in a crappy situation, but I see no reason to throw in the towel," he said.

Mr. Krause's political demise is far from certain. As a rare "Ossi," in the government, he enjoys what Berlin daily Tageszeitung calls "the Ossi bonus," a near-guarantee of political invulnerability.

A quick tour through some other scandals: In Bavaria, a legislative committee is investigating the Amigo Affair - allegations that state Premier Max Streibl accepted free South American vacations, air flights and rental cars from an airplane manufacturer, Burkhart Grob, a major campaign contributor to Mr.

Der Spiegel asserted this week that Mr. Streibl continues to seek favors, most recently having an aide check to see whether the Munich headquarters of Deutsche Aerospace would

make a company jet available to him. The company rejected the request. In the Swine Scandal, Finance Minister Theo

Waigel has been accused of protecting a Bavarian meat dealer from being indicted for illegally obtaining government export credits. The Finance Ministry issued a special order in Janunistry issued a special order in January halting an investigation into the meat company, whose owner is a regular contributor to Mr. Waigel's Christian Social Union. The ministry said Mr. Waigel had nothing to do with

stopping the probe.

The Wickert Institute, a polling organization, reported this week that "the image of politi-cians is worse than ever." In a survey of 3,292 voters, 62 percent said they believed corruption to be common among the country's politicians,

up from 27 percent a year ago.
"From the early '60s until the Berlin Wall fell, we had decades of relative calm in German politics," said Erwin Scheuch, director of the Institute for Applied Social Research in Cologne. "During that time, a whole bunch of mediocre politicians came to the fore, people whose main interest in politics was earning large profits."

"Now that we have the big challenges of unification and a new role in the world, we see the week bases of the world, we see the weakness of the personnel, whose inability to resolve major problems is obvious," said Mr. Scheuch, who last year completed a study of political corruption and cliques in German gov-

He and political reformers in both major parties propose a raft of remedies modeled after U.S. politics: separating party and government positions, requiring politicians to disclose ties to lobbyists, term limits, referendums, and primary elections. "These measures would force a

turnover of personnel in politics." Jürgen Möllemann is the only Bonn minister forced out so far by this year's scandals. He resigned as economics minister after admitting that a product endorsement for a cousin's business was sent out on his ministry letterhead the Stationery Scandal.

"This is all very minor stuff compared to what's going on in Italy," Professor Russ-Mohl said. "But the public seems to take it very seriously. If it keeps going like this, we could get a similar trend as in Italy, with ministers resigning every week."

KOREA:

announcing that it would close its Zama factory near Tokyo and trim its work force by 10 percent, to 48,000, over three years. Toyota is said to be planning to close its Tahara plant east of Nagoya. "This agreement will make

things tougher for the Japanese automakers," a Toyota statement said. "However, we believe this decision should be respected." But the European Automobile Manufacturers Association said in

Brussels the deal was "flawed in a number of respects," notably the forecast drop in EC car demand. The group said the decline was more likely to be around 10 per-It said that while Japan's exports

to the Community would be reduced by 113,000 vehicles, production of Japanese cars in European plants — which is not covered in the agreement — would rise by the least 150,000. Thus, it said, Japanese makers overall market share could rise from 11.3 to 13 percent. Northiro Kono, a director in charge of automotive parts industries at the Ministry of International Trade and Industry, sought to play down the impact on Japanese producers. He said the recent surge in the value of the yen against the dollar and the mark was making Japanese cars more expensive anyway, and this would have cut ex-

Moreover, three Japanese automakers — Nissan, Toyota and Honda Motor Co. — have assem, bly plants in the the U.K. that will be producing more cars this year. The Japanese companies have various ways of responding." Mr. Kono said, adding that the trade and industry ministry would try to spread the pain evenly among all

The sense of relief in the EC, however, may not be evenly distributed. The five countries that previously had strict curbs on Japanese imports will see them rise if the plan is adopted, sometimes sharply. The quota to Britain, for example, will grow to 202,800 units from 168,000 last year; exports to France will rise to 77,300 units from 69,000; Italy's quota will expand (\$2. 42,900 units from 37,000. Exports will increase by about 10 percent to both Portugal and Spain.

AIDS: A 3-Year Survey in Europe Questions Drug

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being reported Saturday in The Lancet, an international medical journal published in London.

participants at an AIDS meeting held by the Royal Society of Medicine here and others elsewhere is those physicians like myself who that the Concorde results seem certain to affect decisions about the early treatment of HIV-infection because AZT is the first drug that doctors throughout the world pre-scribe to treat HIV infection and AIDS.

The Concorde "results do not encourage early use of zidovudine (AZT) in asymptomatic HIV-in-fected individuals." the British paid for the study along with the da, Maryland, said "it is difficult to French National AIDS Research assess a complex trial based on a Agency, said. The Medical Research Council is the British equivalent of the U.S. National Insti-

Dr. Ian Weller, the principal investigator of the Concorde study in Britain, said at a news conference at the Medical Research Council that Concorde was "the most powerful study carried out" in evaluat-

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ing the early treatment of HIV. Dr. making a change in the use of AZT the Concorde study, was carried out in England, France and Ireland.

Weller, who is a professor at the University College and Middlesex School of Medicine in London, also

"Those physicians and patients who were certain that by giving AZT early they were benefiting pa-The immediate reaction from tients are going to be less certain, articipants at an AIDS meeting and those physicians who were uncled by the Royal Society of Medicertain will be more uncertain. And peared are going to be more sure they were doing the right thing." But in a news release, Wellcome,

the British manufacturer of AZT, immediately attacked the Concorde study as flawed and said that the new findings will not affect current medical practice.

Dr. Dan Hoth, an AIDS officials at the National Institute of Allergy Medical Research Council, which and Infectious Diseases in Bethesassess a complex trial based on a summary letter of preliminary find-Dr. Hoth said be hoped U.S.

researchers could meet soon with the Concorde team to examine the full data, which would be needed before considering whether there was need to revise standard treat-Until then, "We see no basis for

in current clinical practice in the United States," Dr. Hoth said.

In 1989, after one of the U.S. studies was halted because of fa-

vorable results, the Concorde group continued its study despite enormous pressure from researchers and AIDS activists to stop. The Concorde team persisted because its leaders said they were not con-vinced that the studies had continued long enough to resolve the is-

Dr. Weller said that medical officials from Wellcome, the manufacturer of AZT, participated in writing the Lancet report. But Wellcome's news release said the modification affected the results of the Concorde study.

AZT was the first drug that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration licensed for treating HIV. Wellcome's news release said that the relevance of the Concorde study to future medical practice was limited because the current trend of new studies is toward combinations of drugs.

However, doctors generally add a second drug when an AIDS pa-tient's condition deteriorates but they seldom treat early HIV infection with combinations of anti-vi-

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diplomatic avenues before considering more stringent steps."
One danger of waiting is that it may give North Korea more time to complete a weapon, or a means of delivering one. Pyongyang is already a major exporter of missiles and related technology, and it is believed to be working on a longer-

range missile. North Korea insists that the two sites are military installations with no link to nuclear activity. But American satellite photographs suggest that at least one is a Sovietstyle nuclear waste disposal site. The agency wants access to the

■ A Call for Compliance The United States, Russia and Britzin have urged Nc.th Korea to reconsider its planned withdrawal from the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, Reuters reported from

London, quoting a statement is-sued by the British Foreign Office. The three countries, "depositary powers," or guarantors, of the trea-ty, said that North Korea's withdrawal would "constitute a serious threat to regional and international

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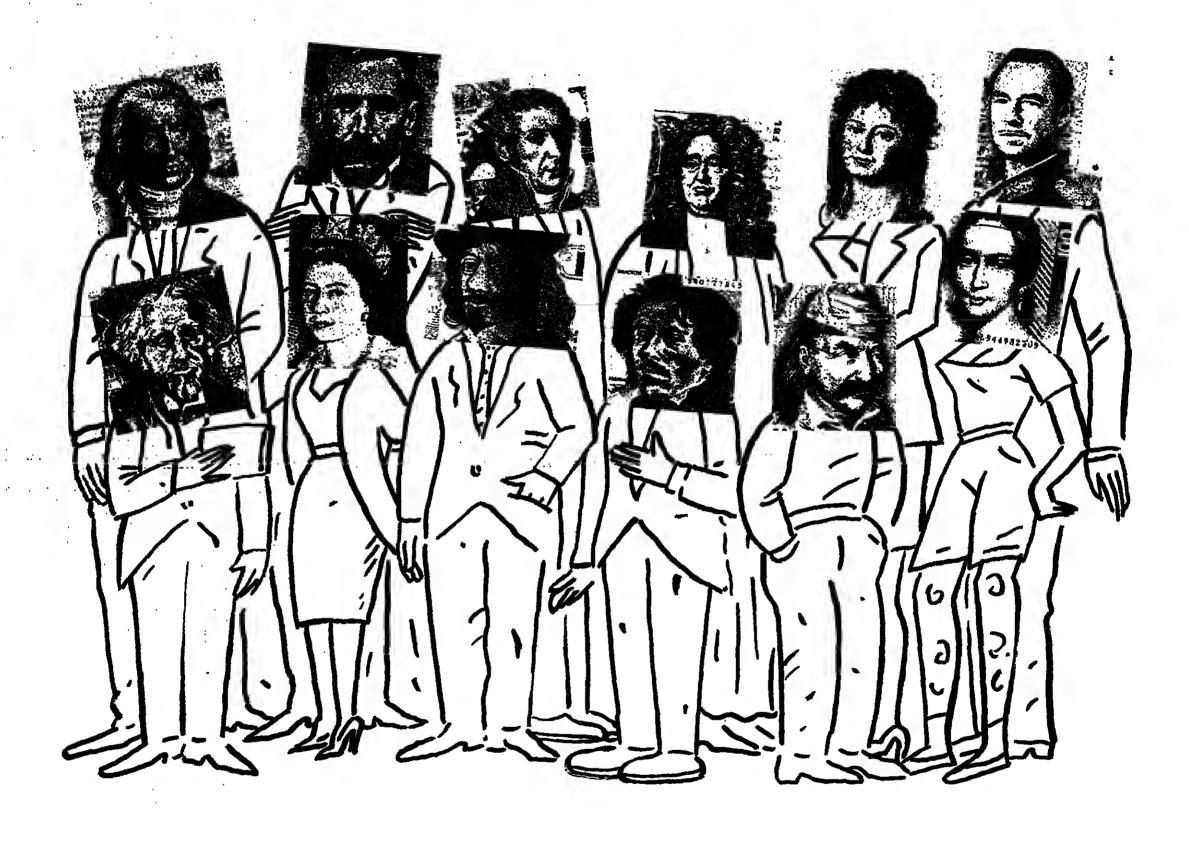
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AID has been studied to death, but we suppose that a new look, this one taken by Deputy Secretary Chifford Wharton, can find new evidence of squandered U.S. aid, improprieties by employees, a cumbersome bureaucracy and shortcomings in management accountability. Those problems, however, do not explain why the multibilliondollar agency is now under siege from all quarters. If the new study ends up proposing the usual remedies - better recruitment and training, tighter internal controls, a "hard-nosed" high-level administrator, fewer objectives and mandates and less congressional micro-management — the central issue facing AID will have been missed.

The greater imperative is to figure out the fundamental role of foreign aid in a post-

Until Secretary of State Warren Christo- Cold War era and create a degree of consenpeared with the Soviet Union. That does not release the United States from international responsibilities. But it does mean that the nature of American engagement around the world needs redefining. More than the Soviet Union's dissolution, the dictates of budget constraints and the unpopularity of foreign aid make it so.

The whole idea behind foreign aid has shifted dramatically from the Marshall Plan concept of buge resource transfers. Today the path to growth and development is said to be free markets and policy reforms, even while a disproportionate share of limited foreign aid dollars is being spent in traditional ways in Israel and Egypt. Are

Brian Atwood, who will switch-hit as AID administrator after originally joining the Clinton lineup as undersecretary of state for management, agrees that tinkering around the edges won't do much for AID. The Clinton administration faces a stronger challenge. It must devise a program that works in a radically different world. Our guess is that much, maybe most, of the old structure and setup will have to be junked and a wholly new start made. The old program is probably beyond reforming and in need of replacing.

Clinton in the Woods

A man of lofty aims, Bruce Babbitt began his tenure as U.S. interior secretary hoping to reverse a century of federally sponsored exploitation of public lands by striking a sensible balance between commerce and environmental stewardship. He knew he would face obstacles, but probably the last thing be expected was that one of them would turn out to be the man who gave him

the job, President Bill Clinton.

Mr. Babbitt wanted to raise the fees for grazing livestock on 280 million acres (113 million hectares) of public rangeland, He also wanted to charge royalties on gold, silver and other metals now mined from federal land at no cost. The money would be used for a bost of worthy purposes, like lowering the federal deficit, restoring damaged lands and improving the hadly stressed national park system.

The proposals were tucked into the budget resolutions passed by the House and Senate. Then, bowever, a powerful cadre of Western senators had second thoughts. They threatened to torpedo Mr. Clinton's entire economic package — the centerpiece of his presidency to date - if the mining and grazing provisions survived. Mr. Clinton agreed to drop them.

His cave-in was reminiscent of his behavior as governor of Arkansas, when be often favored the economic welfare of the chicken industry over strict regulation of its adverse effects on the environment. It also set many to wondering about his future commitment.

'I don't think I've ever seen a white flag get put up so fast," said an official at the Wilderness Society — which, like other en-vironmental groups, has invested high hopes in the new administration.

The president's spokesmen say his retreat is purely tactical. The budget plan is so important, they say, that losing a few skirmishes here and there is incidental to winning the larger war. For his part, Mr. Babbitt stoically insists that he can get his grazing fees and mining royalties through administrative action and separate legislation.

Maybe so. But the president's stated determination not to yield to special interests suddenly seems negotiable. His reversal must send a frisson of pleasure through other influential opponents of Mr. Clinton's budget proposals, like farmers threatened

those priorities correct for this new era?

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with the loss of their cherished subsidies. "This is absolutely spoon-feeding the special interests," complained Representa-tive George Miller, a Democrat from Califormia. "The decision to defer these reforms .. sends the message that business as usual has lived to fight another day."

The timing of Mr. Clinton's volte-face is

equally unsettling. It arrives fresh on the heels of his decision to accept a toxic wasteincinerator in Ohio that Vice President Al Gore - Mr. Clinton's putative conscience on environmental matters - had pledged to keep closed pending further study. It also arrives virtually on the eve of Friday's "forest summit" in Portland, Ore-

gon, a brief media extravaganza that seeks to address a serious question: how to protect a treasured environmental resource (in this case the old-growth forests, where lives the spotted owl) without putting thousands of people on unemployment lines. That, too, is a matter dear to Mr. Bab-

bitt's heart. He hopes both to protect the forests and put thousands of loggers back to work restoring the land hit hardest by past logging practices - by, for example, repairing watersheds and streams that nurture salmon, one of the forests' most valuable and commercially important species.

But it will not be easy to ram even that compromise past hostile lawmakers from the Pacific Northwest, and Mr. Clinton's retreat on grazing and mining has environmentalists wondering whether he has lost his will to fight for the forests as well.

Mr. Babbitt's cause is not wholly lost. Under the law, he can raise grazing fees by administrative order, which be intends to do after careful consultation with ranchers large and small. He also promises to protect smaller ranchers who might be vulnerable to a sharp rise in grazing costs. Imposing royalties on mining companies, however, will require new law and, probably, a bruising legislative struggle. He will need the

support of his wavering boss to succeed. Mr. Babbitt's chances of defeating influential lobbying interests were much better as long as his proposals were linked to the larger budget package. Now, according to Mr. Clinton, they aren't. Running for cover, the president has removed Mr. Babbitt's.

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After the Holocaust

To acknowledge that commemorating same sort of balancing message included in the Holocaust is a difficult marter, full of school curricula. Yet domestic German efanguish and sometimes awkwardness not only for Jews but for Germans as well, is to do no more than state the obvious. Nor should it surprise anyone that the planned opening of Washington's Holocaust Memorial Museum near the Mall on April 26 after many years of sometimes fierce controversy over whether, where and how such a museum should go about its task in the context of the American capital - has been a matter of intense interest in Germany as well. Germans of the current, postwar generation have a natural interest in the portraval of this bleakest period in their - and

everybody's - history. But it is a good thing that the Holocaust museum's planners resisted what appear to have been subtle and not so subtle pressures to include some material that would balance the Nazi history with a more positive presentation on postwar German democracy. Surely, after all these years of painful and often exemplary self-examination, German leaders should accept that the Holocaust cannot be treated as a German international image problem.

Their efforts, Marc Fisher reports, included strong pressure on the museum from the German government to include a postwar-Germany exhibit. A German-government-funded foundation also explored efforts to get American schools to have the

school curricula. Yet domestic German efforts to deal with the Holocaust have generally stressed the degree to which Nazi atrocities have universal, not specifically German, meaning — as examples of the depths to which burnan beings can sink and the dangers of letting any society careen off the moral rails. This, not some generalized opinion about Germany per se, is the lasting relevance of this horror and the reason why remembering it is a paramount moral duty.

It is an emphasis that the Washington

museum shares. Ronald Reagan, at a cornerstone-laying ceremony for the museum in 1988, said the building would "examine the nature and meaning of the continuing curse that is anti-Semitism" and draw attention to "those even among our own countrymen who have dedicated themselves to ... minimizing or even denying the truth of the Holocaust." That thrust — relevant in all societies, not least in today's Europe with its roiling ethnic threats and tensions - is one that the German government no less than any other country's government would do well to join in emphasizing.

Remembering great evil is hard for any society, and particularly for a society in which the atrocity actually happened. But that is because evil, once done, is not undone or even touched by subsequent history. Public relations won't change that.

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Clinton's North Korea Problem Is a China Problem

WASHINGTON — By some fluke you have just become POTUS: President of the United States, in the acronym White House staffers use for their boss. On your desk lies a report that says two changes involving North Korea's unregenerate Communist regime may

come in the next 12 to 18 months. One is that Pyongyang will finish the nuclear bomb that the CIA believes it is now building. The other is that an erraric, possibly unstable leader named Kim Jong II will suc-ceed his father, Kim II Sung, as dicta-tor. The combination will create a genuine threat to world peace.

You wonder about the chances of taking out the nuclear facility, the Dear Leader (as Kim Jong Il likes to be called) or both. But your advisers caution that your military and covert options are limited inside a land long known as the Hermit Kingdom.

North Koreans are isolated, completely paranoid and master tunnel builders. Surgical air strikes are not likely to find the nuclear pea in the pod. The population is almost fully mobilized. Operation Orient Storm would put two divisions or more at risk and require use of the Strategic Air Command, That would trigger massive retaliation against your South Korean ally, which for that reason is urging you not to attack the North. By Jim Hoagland

Japanese officials are also nervous Only one country has any direct influence in Pyongyang and thus may be able to prevent or postpone this looming disaster, the report con-cludes. That country is China.

Yet in your election campaign you were sharply critical of the butchers of Beijing for buman rights abuses. And your aides have been slamming the Chinese for cheating on trade since your inauguration,

One more thing: At a secret meeting in New York on March 22, your top Asia hands hear from the Japanese that the Chinese may be willing to help. But they signal almost impercep-nbly that their help will not come cheap. There is, for example, the re-newal of most-favored-nation trading status you must soon decide on.

This is the dilemma the real POTUS faces. I do not know if such a report has arrived on Bill Clinton's desk, but the elements described above are in play, Confronted with North Korea's de-cision to break off inspections by the International Atomic Energy Agency, the administration is groping for a strategy to deal with a rogue regime's

apparent intention to go nuclear. The strategy being discussed with Asian allies is first to try pressure through the IAEA. Protests against continued defiance by Pyongyang will be put to the UN Security Council. The United States would then seek

economic sanctions against North Korea. Only if these steps fall will Washington consider the military preemption option and the costs it entails. Agricultural disaster in North Ko-

rea may make sanctions effective this time, U.S. and Asian officials hope. North Korea is reported to be desper-ately short of food. Japanese analysis have picked up reports that the army is being rationed to two skimpy meals a day. This could undermine Kim Jong Il with the military. But to get sanctions or other UN

pressure applied to North Korea, America will have to avoid a Chinese veto in the Security Council. Can Beijing be expected to cooperate if Mr. Clinton attaches stringent human rights conditions to renewal of the preferential trading rules that helped China amass an \$18 billion trade surplus with America last year? Moreover, China is hinting that it

may soon release its best known political prisoner, Wei Jingsheng, held in jail for the past 14 years for leading the Democracy Wall protests in 1979. If Mr. Wei is released, this will be another reason for the Communist perontocracy to expect payment on most-

favored status and other accounts.
What is a POTUS to do? For starters, maintain the condemnatory atti-tude toward Beijing's Communist rulers and their human rights abuses even while trying to work out individ-ual cases with them. Do not exagger-ate China's influence or willingness to use what influence it possesses constructively in North Korea, Cam-

bodia or elsewhere. Be the opposite,

in short, of George Bush.

This means that American policy should expect Beijing as a matter of routine to grant the release of Mr. Wei, adopt a responsible attitude on arms and nuclear technology exports and play a constructive role in North Korea without seeking grand rewards from America. The trick is to convey that if these things are not done, U.S. Chinese relations could get much worse. That probably means avoiding a fight this year over most favored status but holding the threat of revo-cation in 1994 over China's head. Meeting in secret with the Chinese

on March 22 to discuss nuclear proliferation and, as far as I can tell, not raising human rights with them at that meeting was the wrong way for the Clinton team to start. That approach smacks of warmed over Bushism rather than the principled policy Mr. Clinton promised.

The Washington Post.

China's Uncertain Future Should Favor Hong Kong

BEIJING — Providing there are no major political hiccups, Prime Minister Li Peng and President Jiang Zemin will lead China until shortly before it resumes sovereignty over Hong Kong in July 1997. Deputy Prime Minister Zhu Rongji, a well-known reformist and former mayor of Shanghai, completes the collective leadership recently chosen by Deng Xiaoping to succeed him. Hong Kong businessmen and bankers have considerable faith in Mr. Zhu's efficiency and his

support for a free-market economy.

Talks between London and Beijing on the Hong Kong hand-over in 1997 are now dead-locked, although the Chinese have switched positions on one issue and now support construction of an international airport in Hong Kong before 1997. They still refuse, bowever, to consider Governor Chris Patten's proposal to increase democracy in the British colony. The Chinese state-controlled press, in fact, is demanding Mr. Patten's speedy dismissal.

There is violent opposition here in the Chinese capital to the Hong Kong Legislative Council even discussing the governor's proposals. But a lull is mevitable as the governor visits Brussels and London during the Easter recess and the Chinese assume their new posts and roles.

Jiang Zemin, whom Deng Xiaoping dubbed "the core of the new leadership," unfortunately lacks his sponsor's charisma. Most cadres believe that the longer Mr. Deng lives, the greater the chance of the long-term survival of the new collective leadership. Conversely, many fear that By Clare Hollingworth

his death could spark a coup attempt by the few remaining hard-line Maoists. But this would not be easy for them. The former President Yang Shangkun, 84, has resigned and his half-brother, Yang Baibing, 72, although still a member of the Politburo, retains

ittle influence after losing bis power base as director of the army's political commissars.

The wily Mr. Deng has broken up their local, hard-line power bases to ensure support for the new military leadership. Some 20 generals were retired and 300 reassigned. There was far more change in the army in the last two months of 1992 than after Lin Biao's coup attempt in 1971.

Meanwhile, new contradictions are being introduced into Chinese life by the speedy progress of the "socialist market economy." One man owns a large, elegant Mercedes but has no bathroom in his small flat. Military and civilian officials show off new huxury joint-venture shops, which they compare with Saks Fifth Avenue, Harrods or Cartier. But thousands of officials have to bold two jobs. Even professors supplement their incomes by selling roasted po-

tatoes in the streets on cold evenings.

"Privatization is inevitable as the ideological Great Wall is breaking down," is the cry. But privatization can bring pain. Gone are the days of the Iron Rice Bowl. An estimated 150 million men and women now wander around the country

looking for work; most, however, appear to be warmly clad, either living on savings or fed by family and friends.

Concern is also expressed about the future role of the Communist Party, with its 40 million members. Will it ultimately be taken over by some form of socialism with a Chinese face, or by army hard-liners? Those who ask the question phrase it in a deliberately vague tone.
All this uncertainty in China looks good, in

the long term, for Hong Kong. The deadlock in talks between Beijing and London has had little immediate impact on banking and trade, tourism or business in the British colony. Officials bope that low-level private discussions during the current hall will clear the air. If not, when Governor Patten presents his proposals to the Legislative Council on April 21, there will be noisy reaction against them from many who are afraid of rocking the boat.

And when the Chinese begin to whisper that they could take over Hong Kong before 1997 if "disturbances" were to take place, then a red light begins to replace the current bright one at the end of the tunnel.

But Chinese leaders need Western cooperation and approval if they are to obtain urgently needed hi-tech from abroad and to realize their dream of hosting the Olympic Games. So it is important that America and the Western world firmly voice their views on Hong Kong's future in order to ensure that Beijing not kill the golden goose. International Herald Tribune.

Outsiders Applaud as America Faces Its Troubles

WASHINGTON — The speeches W were dramatically grim — on what is wrong with American cities, education, child care, use of drugs. Non-Americans, most of the audien of 300, were stunned. They were used to American boasts about being richest, strongest, can do, know best.

They are worldly, many of them powerful people, officials, business-men, experts, from Japan, countries of the European Community, Canada as well as the United States, holding their annual meeting to recommend policies on world affairs. They had come to Washington eager to find out what to expect of Bill Clinton's America, the new outlook from the world's leader, and they got an earful of America's troubles and

preoccupations. Delivering the full-blast reports to members of the Trilateral Commission were Marian Wright Edelman on the poverty and neglect of an inadmissible number of children; Albert Shanker, president of the American Federation of Teachers, on shocking shortcomings in elementary and high school education; James Burke, president of Partnership for a Drug-Free America, on problems of getting people to reject narcoucs; Kurt Schmoke, mayor of Baltimore, on the plight of cities.

It added up to a country in deep distress with more than enough reason to worry about itself and stop preaching to the rest of the world. So asked a variety of delegates their reactions. Did it sound to them that America was in far worse state than they had thought, or that it was picking itself up and rolling up its sleeves? There was a little soothing talk By Flora Lewis

about excessive self-flagellation, but most were electrified. A German said: "I'm a pobtician

and we know that all politicians think first of their home problems; it colors what they think about everything else. So it helps to have a good, clear understanding of what's on Americans' minds as they look out to partners in the world." An Englishman turned to inhabi-

tual gush. "It's so exciting," he said, "it's what I really love about America: the candor, the dynamic spirit to face problems head-on. The English are so pompous. What we heard was determination to move ahead - it gives real hope." He apologized for sounding enthusiastic, and added, "but I can't help it, it's wonderful to hear people being so honest about how much has to be done."

A Japanese was more reserved, but impressed and admiring. A Spaniard said: "These problems are coming to us, too. We have to pay attention, and it's good to know America is looking for ways to deal with them. We were an emigration country, millions went abroad, and now we have to learn to live with people who are different, who have different needs, with minorities from elsewhere."

It was illuminating, a new lesson in what the world looks for from America and bow to deal with the impatience it often shows at Americans' lack of understanding for other peoples' problems.

In addition to their admission of terrible failings, the speeches all had messages of tempered confidence — of finding ways and having the will to address social ills, without any pretense of having perfect answers. They were practical, acknowledging that there was need for experimenta-

tion to see what measures will work, and inspiring. Drug use is coming down, despite flaws. Head Start programs and com-munity action do work in improving at least some schools. Cities can be revived if the effort is made. The message was that yes, the Clinton tration has an awful lot to do on the domestic front and has reason to focus on it, but that this should make the country healthier and more able to join with others in confront-

ing the world's headaches. And it was well received as a renewal of American vigor and innova-tion, with the best of good wishes. There was a very different recep-

tion for a report from the U.S. special trade representative, Mickey Kantor, which unwittingly served to confirm assertions that the administration does not yet have a trade policy and is likely to be confrontational, not cooperative. That was a negative.

But, overall, the sense that America is trying to cope realistically came through clearly, that the end of the Cold War does not mean the end of a constructive, mobilizing mission.

This is a plus and will help restore

the readiness for partnership which risks being lost in the new drive emerging everywhere to be more competitive in a selfish way, to elbow others aside or ignore their difficulties.

It suggests that a country that cares about its own miseries and tries to remedy them is also likely to care prised fifty divisions, is today enor-

about pulling the world together so others can also have a chance to cope.

This is an unexpected twist in the argument over whether domestic eds must turn the United States away from its role in foreign affairs. What it does at home can be seen as a part of that role, of the example it can set if it talks straight, without puffery. It is good news for President Clinton and for America. C Flora Lewis

The New York Times.

1893: Off to Mozambique LONDON -An advance portion of

an expedition left yesterday [March 31] for Mozambique, where it is pro-posed to form an English settlement. It is intended to colonise nearly three hundred square miles of territory between the Zambezi and Sabi, acquired by the first concessions of the Mozambique Convention of 1891. Captain Spring, chief of the expedition, said: "I propose to form a township as near as possible to the Beira railway, to which a road will speedily be constructed and an English community will soon be located. Farms are being laid out and exploration parties will be formed to prospect for gold and other precious metals."

1918: Austrian Troops

ROME --- Austrian divisions liberated by the Russian collapse continue to arrive on the Italian front. Marshal Borocvic's army, which aiready com-

Politics By Leslie H. Gelb NEW YORK - With the Cold War won and gone, you thought you had heard the last of pols and policy experts using the Moscow

Red Scares

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menace to justify excessive military spending. Think again. Many m Washington are now arguing that if Russian hard-liners toppie President. Boris Yeltsin, they will unearth their old military Frankenstein mouster, quickly charge him up and dispatch him once again to terrorize the world. The chances of the "bad" Russians being able to do this by the end of the century are, to be charitable, remote. Russia is in the poverty pits, and military is in near total disarray. It would take many years for even the

nuttiest Russian nationalists to put the monster together again.
The argument about the new Russian threat goes largely mexamined in Washington for a very unusual reason: Conservatives and bberals

both find it very useful. Legislators, especially conservatives, love the argument because it gives them a brand new way to de-fend the defense budget and preserve jobs. Conservatives also like to

feel muscular, just in case. Liberals and moderates, especially in the Clinton administration, embrace the argument because it is the easiest way to sell increased aid to Russia. They want to save President Yeltsin (don't we all?) and are prepared to do so the old-fashioned way by scaring the hell out of the

American people.

It's fine for Washington power brokers to warn about coming gas pains over Russia's foreign policy. The pains are already evident in places like the Balkans and Iraq. They will grow more severe as conservatives amass power in Moscow and force Mr. Yeltsin to assert traditional Russian inter-ests. And if hard-liners actually take over, things could get tense in the United Nations and elsewhere.

But such foreign policy disputes, are a far cry from military confrontations. In the first place, there is a good deal of evidence that many Russian military leaders desire good relations with the United States.

And those looking for trouble would have a hard time making it. Air and naval crews cannot train for lack of fuel. Draft-dodging has reached pandemic proportions. Much of the equipment from the old Red Army has been dispersed among the 12 new states of the ex-Soviet Union. Troops are far more concerned about a place to live than a war to fight.

As for nuclear weapons, there is a worry that Russian hard-liners might not carry out arms reduction treaties already signed. But let's not be crazy. Even these guys wouldn't dream of starting a nuclear war.

Defense Secretary Les Aspin, no dove himself, seems perfectly aware of the mountains that Russian hardliners would face. "The Warsaw Pact ty-Dumpty's gome be put back to-gether again," he says. "The former Soviet Union is broken into lots of republics — there's no way that's

gonna be pulled back together again." Yet be and others in the administration are now starting to hedge on future U.S. defense cuts, even though they know quite well that the United States could gear up for battle far faster than Russia.

And everyone in the administration from Bill Clinton on down continues to drive home the argument . that Mr. Yeltsin's political demise would require the United States to spend billions more on defense.

This help-Yeltsin-or-cise argument is not only a gross exaggeration but also self-destructive. If Mr. Yeltsin fails or falls, Mr. Chinton will end up in a political trap he is setting for himself. Having cried wolf, be will have to forsake his precious domestic priorities and throw extra dollars

at the Pentagon.

Most likely, be will be forced to keep the dumbest weapons, namely nuclear arms, just to show he is tough. He has already deferred decisions to cancel nuclear attack subs and to cut back on George Bush's

missile defense programs.

And by hedging his nuclear bets he is bound to provoke the very nationalistic reaction in Russia that he seeks to avoid. Russian hawks will use his hedges to scare up support for their own military demand The American people do not need

phony arguments about new Russian military threats to justify more aid to Boris Yeltsin. They are quite smart enough to support democracy in Russia for its own sake — unless Bill Clinton is foolish enough to convince them otherwise.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO monsly augmented, and the fresh di-

visions of experienced troops are not yet all in the fighting zone: every day Italian aviators report fresh arrivals.

1943: Sardinia Bombed ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA - [From our New York edition: The Axis is flying

nightmare of destruction.

fresh troops into Tunisia, it was disclosed today [April 1] and the Allies have thrown a mighty air fleet into action to prevent such reinforcement, eliminate the enemy from Africa and destroy his potential means of escape. About 100 flying fortresses, the largest force of the big fourmotored bombers ever massed for a war operation, bombed the important Axis supply base at Cagliari, on Sardinia, yesterday, crippling its usefulness to the enemy, while swarms of other American and British planes turned German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's retreat up the castern Tunisian coast into a

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International Herald Tribune.

OPINION

A Shot of Very Cold Vodka For the Fiery Mr. Kerensky

By William Safire

ASHINGTON — We are coming up to April 22, which I like to celebrate — with a smear of caviar on a small potato, washed down by a shot of very cold vodka — as the day Alexander Kerensky was born, 112 years ago.

For four terroserrous months in 1917,

For four tempestious months in 1917, between the overthrow of the Romanov car and the seizure of power by the Bolsheviks, Mr. Kerensky — a fiery orator of mildly Socialist views — headed the first republican accountant in Bursia II tor of mildly Socialist views — headed the first republican experiment in Russia. If he had been tougher on the Bolsheviks and had some outside help, the 20th century might have been far less bloody. I still feel a twinge of conscience at his name. As a cub reporter for the "Close-Up" column in the New York Herald figure in 1950, I was assigned to interview the former Russian leader.

He had been living in the United

He had been living in the United States after "Iron Felix" Dzerzhinsky, founder of what became the KGB, failed to carry out Leon Trotsky's order to te him in Paris:

At the Trib morgne, Robert Grayson, the librarian, showed me the prepared obituary. I asked if I could read it in the cab on the way to the interview. Mr. Grayson handed it over with this admonition: "We never let the subject see his obit. It's not just methical, it's macabre."

Mr. Kerensky — gray crewcut, stern visage — met me at the door of an East 91st Street town house, where he lived on the top floor. "I will talk only about the future," he said, "and not about the past." Coming from a man with a

fascinating past and no future, that presented a challenge.

Mr. Kerensky made some far-out predictions about communism ultimately collapsing because "12 to 15 million people are in concentration camps" and the great mass of Russians are more miserable than under the czars," which I skeptically jotted down.

Desperate for an anecdote, I broke the rule and took out the obit, ostensibly to check a few facts.

"You mean that is what will run when "You mean that is what will run when I die?" He snatched it; nearsighted, he took off his thick glasses to read it. (I shouldn't feel guilty; the newspaper died before he did, and the obit never ran.).
"This is wrong about the czar," Mr. Kerensky rasped slowly. "We hoped always that Nicholass II would make minimum concessions to the people, but his stubbornness and his wife's domin led to the catastrophe. I tried to send them to England, but Prime Minister Lloyd George refused to accept custody. After I was forced out in November,

Lenin signed their death warrant." He recalled debating Lenin in Petrograd in June on the issue of continuing to fight the Germans in World War I; "Peace and Bread" was Lenin's slogan. The Germans allowed Lenin to return to Russia. He was the first fifth colunn.' His first words to me were 'Kerensky should be arrested!" and the crowd

laughed at him. I predicted that if the Bolsheviks continued their propaganda, they would kill democracy and freedom in Russia. That was no mistake."

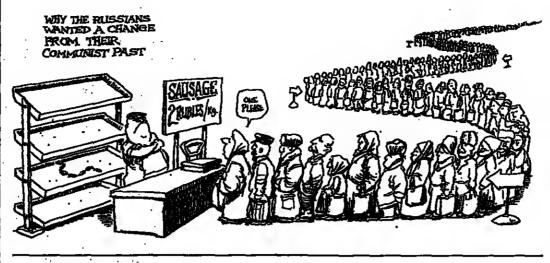
Was Mr. Kerensky's mistake the na-Was Mr. Kerensky's mistake the naive assumption that bourgeois democracy could take root in Rossia, with its
autocratic history? He brushed aside
that liberal hindsight: "Many political
criminals were imprisoned by the crar in
Siberia. After my provisional government came to power, I freed all the
enemies of the old regime, among them
Stalin, who I thought had no future.
That was a mistake."
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One reason Mr. Kerensky freed the One reason Mr. Kerensky freed the Communist leaders was to enlist their help in averting an army coup. Another reason his short-lived republic failed, he claimed, was that: "I had no support from the Allies. If I had been given the help that Stalin received in World War II, the treedy would have life that the stalin received in world war II,

the world would be a different place." Here we are today, the world a differ-ent place, but the leader of today's Russia is now threatened by a rump kakisto-cracy. At the Vancouver summit meeting, the U.S. president will try to avoid the Allies mistakes of the summer of 1917. We hear echoes of that old despair: The Russians have no tradition of democracy. We must not put our faith in

one imperfect leader like Mr. Yeltsin. Here's to you, Alexander Fyodorovich, who died in 1970. Your ghost is at the summit, answering: The Russian spirit craves freedom.

The New York Times





LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Menace of Fewer Jobs

Regarding "The Pain of Productivity" (Editorial, March 15):

The fact that the present upturn of the economy does not produce a propor-tional amount of new jobs, but the con-trary, is typical of the automation revolution in all developed countries. It is usually overlooked by politicians, but well understood by everybody in the production process. What else can we expect if we are constantly inventing machines that replace human labor? Our elected leaders are reluctant to tackle this problem, yet it is probably the most dangerous menace to our civilization. If we do not deal with it, the conse-

quences will be disastrous. Part of this we can already see in the streets of our cities. We have to learn to distribute the available jobs fairly. Solutions for this are possible. One, originating in Italy, is called "solidarity contracts." Through a labor-union initiative, in several Turin factories forced to reduce their work forces by 30 percent, the money which would be spent on unemployment and social benefits is distributed instead

among all employees; everybody works 10 hours less per week while giving up only two hours' pay, but nobody gets fired and the cost is the same.

This plan cannot work everywhere, but it is a striking example of what can be done with imagination and sense of justice to tackle a problem that increasingly affects all of us. RICHARD SAPPER.

Suffering in Armenia

Regarding "Armenia and Congress" (Editorial, March 12): The effects of the Azerbaijan block-

ade on Armenia have been absolutely disproportionate: This winter alone, ac-cording to United Nations estimates, 30,000 people have died as a direct result of the blockade. This is easy to understand when you know that for the past two years Armenia has been without heating, leaving most of the population exposed to the extreme cold of the Armenian winter. The elderly freeze to death at home, the newborns freeze to

More than a million trees have been destroyed in a desperate search for fuel; people are cooking on fires in the streets. As the water-filtering system cannot work without electricity, the water supply is becoming polluted: Cases of chol-era have been reported, and typhoid epidemics are expected this spring, once the garbage left on the streets of Yerevan (because of a lack of fuel, again)

begins to thaw.
Your editorial states there has also been suffering in Azerbaijan. That may be true, but I would strongly advise you to visit Yerevan during wintertime. You might find the suffering there of quite a different dimension: After all, Armenia is blockaded, Azerbaijan is not.

> KEVORK OSKANIAN. Antwerp, Belgium.

The Unlikable Like

Jim Frederick does his best to make the American usage of "like" seem like clever linguistics ("Like, You Can Learn to Love This Word," Meanwhile, March

10). I simply cannot "learn to love" like; in fact, I thoroughly abhor it.

Two things depress me whenever I'm in the United States — the number of obese people, and the pervasiveness of "like" in speech. Obesity shows a lack of discipline in a nation awash in junk food (a downright sin in a world full of hunger), while the widespread use of "like" motes a moronic mindset.

His statement that the American use "like" is similar to the British use of "rather," "quite" and "actually" is absurd Let's see:

Brit: "That man is rather strange." Yank: "That man is, like, weird." Brit: "His story is quite preposter-

Yank: "His story is, like, crazy."
Brit: "Actually he's not a bad chap."
Yank: "Like, he's not a bad guy." How much more subtle the British words are, compared to the overused "like": they make nonsense of Mr. Fredcrick's claim that using it displays a "sublime sensibility."

ISABEL MANZANO. Hong Kong.

Here's to All My Pen Pals, Computerized and Human

By John C. Ausland

O community in the world that knows no borders. The members of this group dedicate time most days to helping each other. They get no pay, only occasional thanks. Few of them have ever met.

The members of this mutual help society will know I am talking about them.

Most others will not even know it exists. Yet it is no secret. It has just developed so quickly and quietly that most people have never heard of it.

I am talking about those of us who use computers to communicate with each other. This is made possible by a modem, a clever device that permits computers to send data over telephone lines.

There are a number of services available. I happen to favor Compuserve.

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which has its headquarters in Ohin but operates worldwide. I also use Internet, a global academic and research network. With these, I can exchange private mes-sages with millions of other users, as well as participate in conferences.

Compuserve's 360-page almanac lists more than 100 forums where you will find kindred souls happy to give advice or exchange views on almost any subject. (A recent addition is a forum run by the Clinton White Hause, which offers official texts as well as a place

You also can use Compuserve and Internet to get information that is otherwise not readily available. (One of the misplaced fears of electronic data bases concerns information overload. This is like refusing to use a library because il has so many books.)

I can perhaps best illustrate all this by showing you how I have used these services in connection with a book I recently published about my experi-ences during World War II, "Letters Home: A War Memoir."

I needed bibliographies about the battles in which I was involved. Using an electronic address provided on an Internet conference on World War II, I was able to contact a computer at the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania. When I wanted, for example, a bibliography about our landing in Normandy, I sent a request to the War College computer, Minutes later, I received a bibliography about Operation Overlord.

After printing the bibliography, I not-ed which books seemed most interesting. I then logged on to, or connected to, the data base for libraries bere in Norway. Presto. In a few minutes I had a list of

the books that interested me.

Over the months, I borrowed six volumes on the history of the U.S. Army in World War II and several books from a 24-volume series containing interviews with the German generals who com-manded the units we fought. In addi-

tion to a number of biographies of allied generals, I found a book with transcripts of some of Hitler's meetings

with his generals. On a conference on Internet, I ran into the electronic mail address of Ted Hull, who works at the National Archives in Washington. A message to him put me in touch with the people handling World War II documents. During a visit to Washington, I spent time read-ing and copying documents related to my unit, the 4th Infantry Division.

when going over the letters I wrote to my parents, I kept running into the names Joe Gude and Raiph Thomas, with whom I shared many experiences. Wondering what had happened to them after the war, I logged in to Computer the blockers of the parents to be a shared than serve's telephone data base, which has about 90 million telephone numbers. Within a few minutes I was talking with Joe Gude and then Ralph Thomas.

The book was produced with my computer, using Ventura Publisher software. It is a fine program, but unfortunately Ventura does not provide much support in Norway. No problem. I joined the Ventura Forum on Compuserve and corresponded directly with their experts in the United States.

The people who use the Desktop Publishing Forum also were of great help. I developed a lengthy correspondence with Martha LaFleur of Lafayette, Louisiana. She makes a living with her computer, but spent quite a bit of time helping me solve

some intricate problems.

The advice I sought was not just related to using my computer. Users of the Work Forum had a number of sugges-Work Forum had a number of suggestions regarding how to go about marketing my book. For example, I learned there is an organization in the United States called Quality Books Inc. that specializes in selling books to libraries.

As I was completing the book, a question arose in my mind about whether a few things I was saying about other officers might he considered libelous. I joined the Law Furum on Compuserve and was soon exchanging messages with

and was soon exchanging messages with a lawyer with offices in New York. He guided me through the mysteries of libel and then reviewed my revised draft. For this there was no charge. Hopefully, if he decides someday to visit Norway, he will ask me for travel advice.

As my book progressed. I felt the need to know more about the German point of view regarding the war. A German electronic pen pal whom I have yet to meet, Werner Klotzbuecher, kindly agreed to read a draft. He is well informed about the war, and we exchanged a number of messages about some of my more controversial statements. I won't say that I would not have been

ole to write the book without the miracle of electronic mail, but it would certainly have been much more difficult, and the product would have been less complete.

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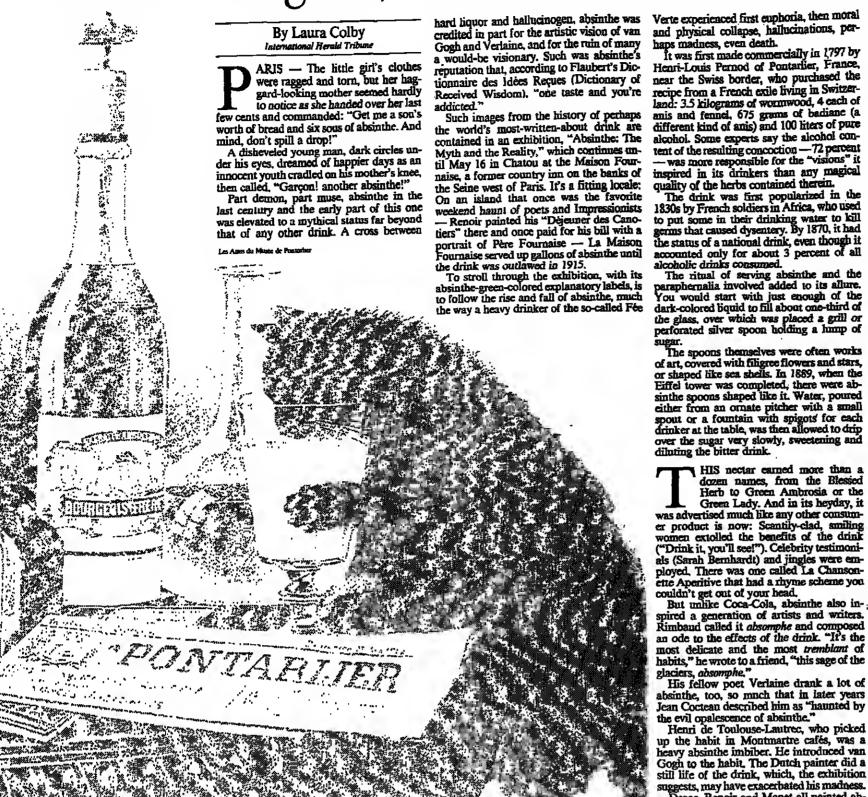
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In Artist Hangout, Show Distills Demon Absinthe A Tale



Gogh and Verlaine, and for the ruin of many a would-be visionary. Such was absinthe's reputation that, according to Flaubert's Dictionnaire des Idées Reçues (Dictionary of Received Wisdom), "one taste and you're haps madness, even death.

It was first made commercially in 1797 by Henri-Louis Pernod of Pontarlier, France, near the Swiss border, who purchased the recipe from a French exile living in Switzerland: 3.5 kilograms of wormwood, 4 each of anis and fennel, 675 grams of badiane (a different kind of anis) and 100 liters of pure alcohol. Some experts say the alcohol content of the resulting concoction —72 percent
—was more responsible for the "visious" it inspired in its drinkers than any magical quality of the herbs contained therein.

The drink was first popularized in the 1830s by French soldiers in Africa, who used to put some in their drinking water to kill germs that caused dysentery. By 1870, it had the status of a national drink, even though it accounted only for about 3 percent of all alcoholic drinks consumed.

The ritual of serving absinthe and the paraphernalia involved added to its allure. You would start with just enough of the dark-colored biquid to fill about one-third of the glass, over which was placed a grill or perforated silver spoon holding a lump of

sugar.

The spoons themselves were often works of art, covered with filigree flowers and stars, or shaped like sea shells. In 1889, when the Eiffel tower was completed, there were ab-sinthe spoons shaped like it. Water, poured either from an ornate pitcher with a small spout or a fountain with spigots for each drinker at the table, was then allowed to drip over the sugar very slowly, sweetening and diluting the bitter drink.

HIS nectar earned more than a dozen names, from the Blessed Herb to Green Ambrosia or the Green Lady. And in its heyday, it was advertised much like any other consumer product is now: Scantily-clad, smiling women extolled the benefits of the drink ("Drink it, you'll see!"). Celebrity testimonials (Sarah Bernhardt) and jingles were employed. There was one called La Chansonene Aperitive that had a rhyme scheme you couldn't get out of your head.

But unlike Coca-Cola, absinthe also in-

spired a generation of artists and writers. Rimbaud called it absomphe and composed an ode to the effects of the drink. "It's the most delicate and the most tremblant of habits," he wrote to a friend, "this sage of the

His fellow poet Verlaine drank a lot of absinthe, too, so much that in later years Jean Coctean described him as "haunted by the evil opalescence of absinthe."

Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec, who picked up the habit in Montmartre cafés, was a heavy absinthe imbiber. He introduced van Gogh to the habit. The Dutch painter did a still life of the drink, which, the exhibition suggests, may have exacerbated his madness.

Degas, Renoir and Manet all painted absinthe drinkers -- sometimes causing scan-

dal due to the "excessive" realism of the

One painter who didn't abuse the drink was Pablo Picasso, but he painted absinthe drinkers and made bronze sculptures of a glass of absinthe, complete with sugar and spoon. But it was his still life parody of a Pernod advertisement, showing a bottle and a glass, painted in 1912, that some claim

a glass, painted in 1912, that some cannot launched the Cubist movement.

By that time though, public opinion had turned against absinthe. The Green Fairy was now popularly dubbed the Green Peril. Already in 1877, the novelist Emile Zola had published "L'Assommoir," in which absinthe is central to the ruin of the main

A few years later the French Academy of Medicine warned of the dangers of the drink. The French Anti-Alcohol League printed picture postcards showing a cautionary tale of a père de famille in various stages of dissolution. In the last, cross-eyed and convulsive, he is restrained and led away.

The prohibition forces that gathered strength early in the 20th century were backed by business interests: France's farm lobby, like that of today, was unhappy about the popularity of a product that seemed to threaten their livelihood. In 1907, Bordeaux wine growers marched on Paris demanding a "return to tradition." It was all right, it seemed, to imbibe, so long as one drank wine

and not so perfidious a drink as absinthe.

Someone searching for a taste of absinthe nowadays must content himself with lesspotent substitutes made with less alcohol and no wormwood: pastis, anisette, ouzo or

After all this time, the forbidden aspect of absinthe still tantalizes; No less than President François Mitterrand was tempted enough a few years ago to order a dessert claiming to be soufflé de la fée (with the clear reference to the Fée Verte, or green lairy, absinthe). The restaurateur was hounded down by police when the news leaked out, and when he protested that he wasn't really serving absinthe — only a local liqueur with a similar taste. He was prosecuted anyway,

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Of Two Zoos Semi-Unification For Berlin Beasts

By Ann Brocklehurst

Berlin — The newly born zebs. calf is a true post-Cold War Berlinger. Its mother, sent across town in the spirit of cooperation, comes from West Berlin's Zoologischer Garten. Its father is a longtime resident of East Berlin's Tierpark (Animal Park), where the small zebra family will now remain. Zoologists zebra family will now remain. Zoologists have decided that the roomy East Berlin zoo is a better place to bring up the city's hoofed animals than the cramped quarters in the

Although West Berlin's 149-year-old 200 can boast that it is the oldest in Germany, with the most animal species — 1,500 — and more visitors — 3,5 million last year — than any other zoo in Europe, its area is only 34 bectares (84 acres), against the eastern zoo's 160 hectares. The 200 is also smack in the middle of West Berlin's main business district near railway, subway and bus stations.

With no hopes of expansion, 200 designers concentrated on giving inhabitants the best possible inner city accommodations and the architecture of the animal houses often reflects the style of the animals' homeland. Bison from North America live in a log cabin-type building complete with West Coast Indian motifs.

The East Berlin zoo is now presided over by skyscrapers, but when it was built in the early 1950s, it was on the outskirts of town. One of the world's largest zoos in terms of space, it was designed to be more like a park than a 200. More than 100 peacocks have the run of the grounds and most animals are separated from the public by mosts and notal bars. So much space has been allotted to the camels and llamas, however that that visitors complain they need binoculars to get a good

Because the zoos are so different, it was decided that a unified Berlin could afford to keep both. The zoos have pledged to work together, but according to Rudolf Reinhard, the Zoological Garden's bird curator, there will always be some duplication. "We have to respect the visitors and every visitor wants to see a lion, an ape and a nicely colored parrot," he explained.

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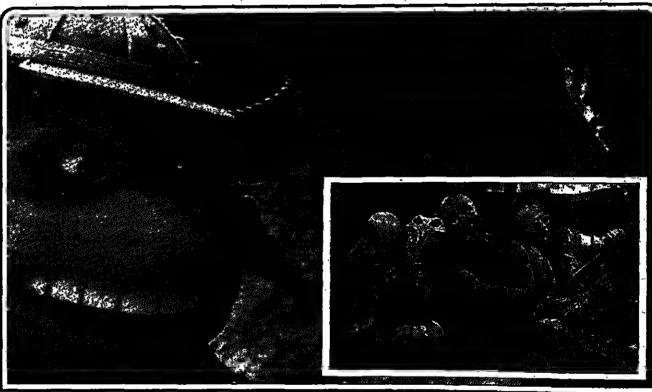
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The "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" strike again; inset, "Acción Mutante," science fiction in Spain.

Il Grande Cocomero

patients in the children's ward

are both angelic and devilish,

but rarely approach their ex-tremes in a climate of slightly

indulgent realism. Like the act-

ing Archibugi's direction is

competent and unpretentious.

And although restrained, the tone of the film is one of tender-

bugi. Italy.

Directed by Francesca Archi-Were it not for the tight rein

Francesca Archibugi keeps on her own old-fashioned instinct U. S. for sentimentalism, this film could easily have degenerated into yet another tepid, moderately heartwarming "handi-capped" film. Instead, it uses illness, health, patients and medicine as a convincing context for the growth of a difficult relationship between two unusual and extraordinary people. Arturo is a clinical neuropsychologist in the children's ward of Rome's Policlinica hospital. Pippi is an articulate, aggressive 12-year-old girl who suffers from an epilepsy that Arturo believes to be psychosomatic. Through therapy, intelligence, and most of all dedication, the film's two protagonists come to understand each other, and more importantly, themselves. Named after the Halloween photocopy. (Hai Hinson, WP) dream of Linus in Charles Schulz's "Peanuts" comic strip, "Il Grande Cocomero" (The Born Yesterday Great Pumpkin) is neither "Awakenings" nor "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest." The

U.S. They don't make "dumb broads" like Billie Dawn anymore, or, if they do, they don't

spectacular sort of heroism that is the only secret to true healing.
(Ken Shulman, IHT)

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turties III Directed by Stuart Gillard.

You know how sometimes sequels are better than the origi-nals? That doesn't happen this time. Caravaggio, Picasso, Rembrandt and Jackson Pollock (or whatever their names are) get sent back in time to fendal Japan, where Lord Nor-maga (Sab Shimono) has forged an unsavory alliance with a British sea scoundrel (Stuart Wilson. Due to some tricky equal-mass-replacement theory, whenever someone in the present goes into the past, someone of equal size must come from the past mto the present. If the first sequel was a photocopy of the original, this second sequel is a tracing of a

Directed by Luis Mandoki.

call them that in our sensitized society. This may he one of the reasons why "Born Yesterday," based on Garson Kanin's classic 1946 Broadway farce, plays so lamely in its glitzy new film version updated to the 1990s. It's difficult to believe that this Billie Dawn, played by Melanie Griffith, even shares the same planet with Oprah Winfrey and Phil Donahue. If she did, she couldn't be quite as stupid as she must be to make the giorious transformation to wisdom that is the drop-dead heart of the Kanin comedy.

(Vincent Canby, NYT)

Marriage

Directed by Seijun Suzuki. Japan.

This is a brightly wrapped package of three little features, each complete with intermission, credit-title song and the compa-ny logos. Fond of bite-sized entertainment, the Japanese indus-try has a long history of such miniature cinema, from the Toho featurettes of long ago, through the Daici omnibuses. and on to Shochiku's segmented "Bakayaro" comedy series. And as so often occurs in Japan's packaging industry, more care is taken over the wrapping than with the content. These little films are both slight and silly and the only reason for paying any attention to them is that "cult director" Seijun Sozuki did the first one. It is silly too, but in the Sazaki manner, which means the willfully arbitrary (nerd almost marries wrong girl) elevated to frenetic hi-tech, all set among the shards of old Japan. Since the director has recently

been pantheonized in a number

keep up with what the old mas-ter is doing. Otherwise the collection is only for those who like comic books. 100

Accion Mutante

(Donald Richie, IHT)

Directed by Alex de la Iglesia.

Has Spanish director Pedro Almodovar gone sci-fi? Not at warp speed, but here Almodovat vary becomes producer for the young de la Iglesia's directing debut, in a film nominally associated with science fiction. The Almodovar influence is evident bright colors splashing across the screen; cameo appearances by some of Almodovar's stock actors in a wedding scene; and the indict-ment of television with weirderthan-life depictions of TV news shows. The fast-paced plot is dipping with satire and with gallons of blood. There is mar-der, audity and rap music even before the opening credits. Dozcus of characters are killed in the fight to the finish. In the year 2012, a terroust group (which spoofs Spain's deadly ETA Basque guerrillas) sets out to atsasque guerrinas) sets out to astack the dominance of prepries and yuppies. They kidnap the beautiful daughter of a natural-foods industrialist. As a distribution of the content of the c tranght father and latent fascist he chases them across the galaxy. Sure, there is excess, silliness and petty largery of other slapstick and science fiction routines, but one finds crafted entimissism,

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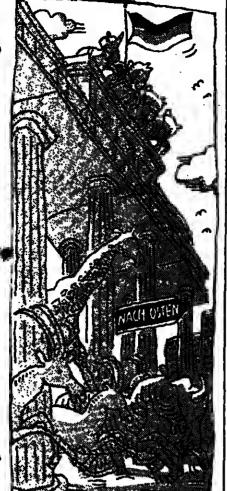
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Zoologists have decided that hoofed animals and birds of prey should be concentrated in the east while the giant primates will live in the west. In cases where one zoo has the male of a species and the other the female, attempts are being made to pair them up, but all these pairings have not yet turned out to be as successful as the zebras. An Indian Sea Eagle male sent to East Berlin

to mate has nothing to show for it so far. Berlin's zoos do not have the financial problems that many other European zoos are experiencing. There is no significant anti-zoo movement in Germany, as there is in Britain, and together the two zoos had 6 million visitors last year. The Zoological Garden is also bequeathed about 4 million Deutsche marks (about \$2.5 million) annually and a major renovation program is under way as it prepares to celebrate its 150th birthday next year.

Ann Brocklehurst is a journalist based in

Do-It-Yourself Corner-Cutting on Corporate Travel

By Roger Collis mernational Herald Tribuna

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Saving money is one thing, getting best value, being efficient is what is important. To achieve this, a company or an individual business traveler has to do three things. The first is to identify the objectives, the second to record them in a travel policy and the last to find the right agent to achieve the objectives and help monitor the policy.

Efficient travel management should begin with the appointment of a travel coordinator. In a large company, this may be the travel manager, somebody in central purchasing or in finance. In a small operation it may be a secretary.

The first task of a coordinator is to look at where and how the company's travel dollar is spent (some companies only discover how much they spend when they sudit cost cen-ters). To what destinations do executives travel most frequently? How do they obtain tickets and settle hotel bills? What class of travel and accommodation are executives entitled to? What controls are in place? Auditing a random sample of expense accounts is a good way to know what is going on.

The next step is to write a travel policy. You might want to do this with an outside consul-tant, travel agent or prospective agent (this is part of the pitch for new business). And it may be worthwhile talking to other companies. This should set guidelines on class of travel (say, according to rank and journey time), hotels and car rentals, daily spending allow-ances and latitude allowed in choosing airlines, flights, hotels and other travel suppliers.

Are you looking for economy above all else or
the most convenient schedules? You might, for example, want your agent to quote the absolute cheapest fare, the cheapest flexible fare and the fastest routing. How do you reconcile demands of mileage-driven travelers in pursuit of frequent-flier awards with the best itinerary for the company?

The policy could also reflect what you

might call a travel-value analysis. Establish priority ratings for various types of trip, such as internal travel, customer relations, training seminars, trade shows and incentive travel. What about the cost of management time away from the office? But every trip needs to be accountable. Travelers should justify not only the reasons for every trip and its expense but indicate what they achieved.

Your agent should help you monitor the compliance with your travel policy through management reports showing how much he has saved you (or could have saved) by comparing the fares you used with the fares be offered.

"The problem at the moment is that we

can only report what has happened," Lovell says. "But what's coming at the end of this year is pre-ticketing management information, so that when a booking is made we can iell our contact in the company whether it falls outside the travel policy. He can then pick up the phone and say, Sorry, I know you want to go Delta, but the company has a route deal with American."

The latest device in the battle for cheaper fares is "Robotics," a computer program developed in the United States that aims at beating airlines at yield management, guarantecing travelers the cheapest fare on a given flight. It's a kind of star wars with

Computer playing computer.

Yield management is a sort of humphacked time curve — an airline offering lower fares if you book in some time in advance, becoming more expensive at the peak booking period, and cheaper again nearer the time of the flight. This is the way airlioes use pricing to fill their planes at the maximum revenue, or "yield."

Using Robotics, you can keep going into an airline CRS, checking the fares and automatically canceling and rebooking at a lower fare. So even if you booked originally at a high price, you can end up paying less.

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Do focus your spending where you can maximize your purchasing clout. Place all your business with one agent. Cut route deals with one airline or hotel group.

Share the Benefits

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Keep Control

Don't give an agent total control of your travel purchasing. Have somebody within the company with expertise and contacts in the travel trade.

Custom-Pricing a Safari – by Plane, Camel, Wheel or Foot

By Jane Perlez New York Times Service

ROBABLY few vacations hold such mystique, such promise of glamour and adventure, as an African safari. One way to insure a pleasurable experience is to put together a custom safari in Kenya or Tanzania.

One of the first things to ask about a safari is: What kind of vehicle will it use? A Toyota Land Cruiser, a Range Rover, an old-fash-ioned Land-Rover or any other four-wheel-drive vehicle is preferable to a minibus.

Flying in a light aircraft from place to place with a pilot who also serves as your guide and driver oo the ground, is one of the most alluring ways to see Africa and its

The only question more important than the type of vehicle is: Who is the guide? A first-time visitor should ask how much experience the guide has and whether he or she has a specialty: an interest in birds rather than larger animals, a knowledge of local people or a particular region.

Safaris are generally priced per person per day. A top-of-the-line trip with all the trim-mings might cost \$825 a day for each of two people; with a group of eight, the cost goes down to \$420 a person daily. A mid-range trip might cost \$250 a day per person. Or you can go as low as \$100 a person, which in some circumstances - a camel safari, for

example—can offer a personalized, magnif-icent view of the African bush and wildlife. As for group size, six or eight can be ideal: there is the companionship, you need two vehicles but no more and the cost is more reasonable. An individual traveler can often join a small group.

Because mail is often delayed in reaching Kenya, it is best to make reservations by phone or by fax. The telephone area code for Kenya is 254. Following are some specifics: LUXURY SAFARIS

Two operators specialize in this field and maintain sterling reputations. They are Ker & Downey Safaris and Tor Allan Safaris. Their trips spare no extravagance: their staffs look after your every whim, but most important, both companies' guides are un-surpassed in the knowledge of the bush and wildlife

Allan's safaris cost from \$500 a person daily for four people to \$420 a person daily for eight people for a 14-day camping trip in Kenya and Tanzania. Ker & Downey charges from \$825 daily for each of two people to \$560 for each of four, to \$420 for each of six people. Ker & Downey, Nairobi, Kenya; telephone (2) 556466, 556164; fax

552378; Tor Allan, Nairobi; (2) 891190; fax (2) 890142.

MID-PRICE SAFARIS

Cheli & Peacock is a partnership of Stefano Cheli, an Italian brought up on a Kenyan farm, and Liz Peacock, an Englishwoman raised in Kenya. They run tented safaris in Kenya of high standard, with excellent fourwheel-drive vehicles, professional guides and superb food, but without quite the excesses

of the luxury category.

John Bennett, of Let's Go Holidays, owns a small safari operation in Arusha, northern Tanzania and specializes in tented safaris across the Serengeti, Ngorongoro Crater and Tarangire National Park. He will arrange

climbs of Mount Kilimanjaro.

Cheli & Peacock charges \$546 per day per person for two people to \$312 per person for eight people. John Bennett charges about \$350 a person daily for a group of four, but the cost depends on the level of luxury desired. Cheli & Peacock; (0154) 22551/2 or fax (0154) 273552 John Bennett Lev's Go Holi-(0154) 222553. John Bennett, Let's Go Holidays. Phone and fax at Arusha: 255 57 3613.

BY SMALL PLANE

Jens Hessel, specialize in flying clients around East Africa in their own Cessna single-engine planes. They are both superb

bush pilots. They will go anywhere in Ke-oya, Tanzania or beyond.

Allen and Hessel charge \$600 a day for each of two people; \$450 for each of three, and \$350 for each of four. This includes air travel, ground transportation and lodging Each plane carries five passengers. For larger groups, they do air safaris in tandem. Allen is at (2) 521538; Hessel is at (0171) 55033.

RANCH SAFARIS

At Lewa Downs, a 43,000-acre, third-genratioo family property oortheast of Mount Kenya, Will and Emma Craig are the hosts to a maximum of 12 guests housed in stone cottages. They offer horseback riding — an excellent way of getting close to the multi-tudes of giraffe and the Grevy zebra walking and game drives in their wood-paneled 1960s-vintage International Har-vester safari vehicle, for day trips, all on their

ranch property.

A visit to Lewa Downs can be combined

506139 or 502491; fax 502739. He also handles the Escrian and Redero farms.

WALKING SAFARIS

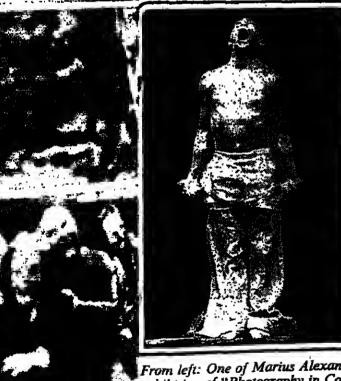
Iain Allan, who runs a company called Tropical lce, takes clients up mountains (Mount Kilimanjaro or Mount Kenya) or along river beds. It can be as arduous or as leisurely as you want. The cost is about \$250 a day per person, according to the size of the group. Tropical Ice, Nairobi; (2) 740811; fax 740826.

CAMEL SAFARIS

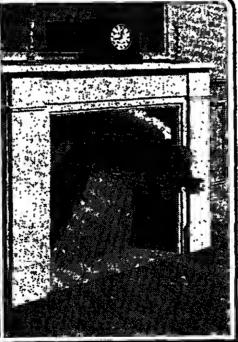
Simon Evans, a 33-year-old Kenyan, takes visitors out on camel treks from his base camp high above the Ewaso River in the Laikipia region of Kenya. These are actually camel-assisted walking safaris; the camel riding is done only on occasion. A more elaborate camel safari (tents, wine, meals with fancier menus served by the staff) is run hy Helen Dufresne, a naturalist and experienced snide.

Evans charges \$100 a day per person. Dufresne, from \$310 per person daily for one or two people to \$180 per day per persoo for six to eight people. Evans's safaris can be reserved through Bookings Ltd., Nairobi; (2) 220365, 336570 or 221845; fax 216553. Dufresne can be reached at 228936 and 330130;

GUIDE







From left: One of Marius Alexander's images of the Edinburgh festival on show in London; a portrait from the exhibition of "Photography in Contemporary German Art" in New York; a Magritte painting in Chicago.

Antwerp Kunsthistorisches Museum (tel: 52.177). To June 20. "De Bruegel a Rubens: L'Ecole de Peinture Anver-1550-1650." One hundred and fifty works by local artists throughout the century.

Musées Royaux d'Art et de d'His-toire (lel: 733.4647). To April 30: toire (tel: 733.4647). to April 30: "Spiendeurs des Sassanides." Per-sian gilded silver, textiles, weapons, grosaids and trescoes from the 2d to th centuries.

BRITAIN

London
The Actors Institute (tel: 251.8176). April 5-30: "The Edinburgh Festival Exposed." Ten years of festival and theater photography by Manus Alexander.

The National Gallery (tel: 839 33 21). To July 11: "Tradition and Revolution on French Art: 1700-1880." Key works survey the artistic diversity of the period. Includes works by Chardin. Greuze, David, Gericault, Delacrox and Courbet.

Delacrox and Courbet.
The Royal Opera (tel: 240.1911).
April 2, 6, 10, 12, 15: "Fidelio": Originally composed by Beethoven during the Napoleonic era, this opera will be sung in German with English surfices. The cast for the newly staged production is led by Josephine Bartons as a condition. STOW 25 LECTIONS.

CANADA

Musée d'Art Contemporain (tel: E73.25.78). To April 25: "La Coffec-tion: Second Tableau." More than 220 works by contemporary Quebec

THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Waltenstein Riding School Vald-steinska (tel: 231.5135). To May 2;

"Bohumil Kubista: 1884-1918." More then 160 paintings, pastels, drawings and prints trace the developments of the Czech artist's career.

DEMMARK

Ordupgaardaamlingan (tal: 31.64.11.83). To May 2: "Matisse: Chapel at Vence," Sketches, maquettes and paper cutouts for Matisse's final masterplace.

Centre Georges Pompidou (tel: 44.78.12.33). To June 21: "Henri Ma-tisse: 1904-17." Includes more than monumental compositions.

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Muaée du Louvra (tal: 40.20.50.50). To April 26: "Dessins trançais du XVIIe stècle dans les Collections Publiques Françaises."

More then 160 drawings by 16th-century artists such as Vouet, Lebrun, Poussin and Puget.

Opéra de Paris-Bastfilla (tal: 44.73.13.00). April 2: "Faust." Opera by Gounod, originally derived from the legend of the wandering conjurer who sold his soul to tha devil in exchange for a period of renewed youth. Directed by Julius Rudet.

Palais Gamier (tel: 47.42.53.71).

April 5-9: "Parade: Le Spectre de la Rose." A contemporary dance performance choreographed and performed by Angelin Preliocal's "Ballets Russes" Bællet company.

GERMANY

Kunst und Ausstellungshalle (tel: Kurist und Ausstellungshälle (tel: 917,1200). To April 18: "Sem Fran-cis." More than 200 prints, litho-graphs, drawings, etchinga and monotypes by the California artist.

Staatsoper Stuttgart (tel: 20,320).
April 3, 14: "Cost fan Tutte." Opera
by Mozart, derived from the story of Cephalus and Procris in Ovid's "Meta-

morphoses." Production by Gordon McKechnie and Klaus Zehelein.

GREECE

National Gallery (tel: 723,5875). To april 11: "From El Greco to Cezanne." Three centuries of European art, featuring 70 paintings and drawings by more than 48 artists.

ITALY

Galleria Communale d'Arte Moderna (tel: 502.859). To Aug. 31: "Due Secoli di Pittura a Bologna." More than 170 works document the tisse: 1904-17." Includes more than artistic experience in Bologna from 130 still files, portraits, landecapes and, the 19th century to the present.

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(tal: 971,5511). To May 23: "Paul Klee Retrospective." More than 270 works by the Swiss-born artist including oils, sketches, watercolors and prints.

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Tsukashin Helf (tel: 64.20.30.10).
To April 18: "Robert Doisneau: Love in Paris." A retrospective featuring 130 pictures by the French photographer. Tokyo

Tokyo Fuji Art Musaum (tel: 26.91,45.11). April 3 To June 27: "Francisco de Goya y Lucientes." An extensive exhibition celebrating the museum'a 10th anniversary including more than 200 of the Spanish artist's print masterpieces.

METHERLANDS

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Het Musiktheater (tel: 625.5455).
Apdl 2, 3, 6, 8, 9: "Bread Dances." A
ballet originally choreographed by
Batanchine, accompanied by tha
concerto no. 2 in G by Tchaikovsky.
Features the National Ballet Compe my with new choreography by

Groninger Museum (tel: 183.343). To April 25: "Mirror of the East Asian Art from the Rijksmuseum Amster-dem." Artwork from China, Japan, India, Indonesia and Nepal.

Tha St. Mungo Museum (tal: 227.4159). Opening April 3: The world's first museum of religious life and art including works of art which portray how Buddhists, Christians, Hindus, Jews, Muslims and Sikhs, among others, celebrate birth to death.

SWITZERLAND

Fondation da l'Harmitage (tal: 20.50.01). To May 23: "Diaghillev et les Ballets Russes," More than 80 crewings and paintings of the pro-ducer Sergel Diaghilev and the Bal-lets Plusses, including works by Magritte, Sisley, Buchet and Bocion.

UNITED STATES

The Art Institute (tel: 443.35,00).
To May 30: "Magritte," A retrospective surveying 50 years of work by the Beiglan Surrealist, Rene Magritte.
More than 200 paintings, sculptures and work on reach and works on paper. New York

Guggenhalm Musaum (tel: 423.3500). To May 9: "Photography in Contemporary German Art. 1960-present." Works by more than 19 German artists, including Lother Baungarien, Hanne Darboven, Martin Kinnanherner and tecanic Baun tin Kippenberger and Joseph Beuys.

Washington
Tha Textile Museum (tat: 667.0441). To Sept. 19: "Inspirations: Exploring the Art of Faith Ringgold." The Influence of African and gold." The influence of African and Asian tedles on the artist's work, including story quilts, soft sculpture and painted cloth hangings.

with visits to two other well-regarded ranches in Kenya, Eserian farm ocar the Aberdare Mountains and the Redero farm in the Masai Mara, Lewa Downs costs \$265 per person Two former hunters, David Allen and per day. A safari that goes to all three ranches, by plane or by car, can be arranged for \$226 per day per person. Lewa Downs book-ing agent is Christopher Flatt in Nairobi; (2) THE NEW YORK HERALD. EARTHQUAKE DEVASTATES SAN FRANCISCO.

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During the downturn, companies began asking the airlines for steep discounts and used video conferences, faxes and electronic mail to communicate with their far-flung staffs.

alliances with major European lines and eventually Far Eastern carriers, as some of their smaller counterparts have already done. Northwest has teamed up with KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, USAir with British Airways and Con-

At the same time, the carriers have begun cutting their costs at home. American and Unit-

ed say they may soon go so far as to sell domestic hubs and turn over short routes that

are unprofitable to lower-cost carriers or large

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To survive, American carriers began concentrating on solidifying their positions abroad, where competition is not yet as keen. The nation's two largest airlines, American and United Airlines, are expected to form closer

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AIRLINES: Hub System Faces Dismantling spent \$150 million to build just five years ago. Delta said Monday that it would cut service on first intervention into the industry since dereg-ulation went into effect in 1978, Federico F. some domestic and international routes to help offset its overexpansion on international

the secretary of transportation, forced Northwest Airlines last week to abandon plans The changes could mean lower fares on short-haul routes. Because they lack the sprawlto start new routes in competition with an upstart, Reno Air, which had complained that ing overheads and burdensome union contracts of their larger rivals, small carriers can under-cut fares and still make a profit. The inefficiencies of the hub-and-spoke system were largely brought to light by the recession, which reversed the rise in travel the industry had counted on to pay for its expansion.

cut fares and still make a profit.

Still, fares on coast-to-coast routes dominated by the major airdines may move higher. Some analysts predict that as airlines like United and American scale back plane deliveries, a shortage of seats could develop early in 1994, allowing them to push up fares.

"The low discount fares of today will be a memory" on transcontinental and international routes, Julius Maldutis, an airline analyst at Salomon Brothers predicted.

Salomon Brothers, predicted The turmoil in the industry is a direct out-

growth of the aggressive expansion strategies airlines devised to cope with deregulation. The major lines thought that by building elaborate hub systems they could make customers captive to their services, thereby suffocating upstarts.

Under the hub-and-spoke system, the country split into regions dominated by one carrier.

USAir was king at Pittsburgh, Northwest at Minneapolis, American at Dallas and United at

Chicago and Denver.

As a result, the nation's three largest carriers,
American, United and Delta Air Lines, have
doubled in size since deregulation. Unable to American Airlines, for instance, is considering the sale of its new terminal and hub serving Raleigh and Durham, North Carolina, that it

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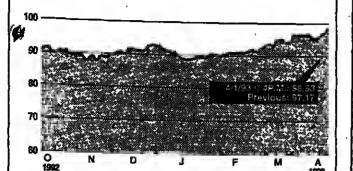
ed on Lini-Line

NTT's explosive rise in recent weeks — it has soared nearly 40 percent over the last month regarded as the most tangible sign of the government's efforts to lift share prices. The government has gone out of its way to suggest that its new public-works program is likely to benefit NTT by laying a network of fiber optic cables across Japan, and investors, many of them

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WALL STREET WATCH

Gymboree's Twin Themes: Little People, Big Money

By Kenneth N. Gilpin

New York Times Service
EW IURK — Wall Street got a resounding message this week that the Baby Boomlet has financial muscle, as investors went wild over Gymboree Corp., a retailer of children's apparel that offered its stock to the public for

Led by Goldman, Sachs & Co., underwriters for the stock had tentatively priced the issue at between \$13 and \$15 a share. But demand was such that the target price was raised to \$20, and the size of the offering was increased to 2.1 million shares from 1.9 million. Strong demand for the shares suddenly turned into frenzy after

The kids' apparel

the issue was priced, and Gym-boree rocketed up Wednesday by nearly 58 percent in Nasdaq trading, to a closing price of \$31.50. The stock rose another \$1.50 Thursday, to \$33.

retailer had a wildly successful IPO. Ridding was fierce, despite the fact that venture capitalists and other Gymborce insiders sold 1 million of the shares offered to the spublic. It is rare that so much stock would be sold by insiders at an initial public offering. Such selling is sometimes seen as a warning

flag about a company's prospects. But analysts say Gymboree is not an immature company: Founded as a sole proprietorship in 1976, the Burlingame, California, company now has more than 2,000 employees, operates 113 stores in 27 states and plans to open another 35 to 40 in its current financial year.

This company is beyond the stage of venture capital," said David Gilson, an analyst at IDS in Minneapolis. "It is a proven entity."

During the last five years, Gymboree'a sales have rocketed, to \$86.3 million in the 12 months ended Jan. 31 from \$9.7 million in the year ended Jan. 29, 1989. After losing money in 1989 and 1990, the year ended Jan. 29, 1989. After losing money in 1989 and 1990,

the company reported a profit of \$660,000 in 1991. Last year, net income was just under \$7 million, or 63 cents a share. Analysts said the popularity of Gymboree's clothing, which features bright colors, bold prints and an emphasis on comfort and functionality, helped make the stock attractive to individuals.

"Everyone is looking for the next really hot retailer," said Linda Everyone is looking for the next really not retailer, sand Linda Killian, an analyst at Renaissance Capital Corp., a Greenwich, Connecticut, money management firm. "This company has many of the attributes it needs to be the next Gap or Home Depot."

Reports Cast Doubt On U.S. Recovery

By Lawrence Malkin

NEW YORK - The recovery of the American economy is slowing. economic data showed on Thursday, with manufacturing, construction and employment showing less buoyancy than in past months.

The news shook the dollar, which fell to a record low against the

yen and softened against the Deutsche mark.

The fresh economic data sounded a wake-up call to European who had been focusing on the weakness of their own economies and betting on a U.S. revival. Said David Coleman at the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce in London, "Some of the cozy assumptions about the recovery in the States will now be challenged."

No one expected the U.S. economy to continue at the 4.7 percent growth rate of the final quarter of last year, which was pumped up by a collection of special factors, said James Anibal of the First National Bank of Chicago. These included up to \$30 billion in residential rebuilding after Hurricane Andrew, a new pattern of production by the Big Three automobile companies, and a post-election burst in confidence that stimulated consumer spending. "We're now back to a sawtooth pattern of 2.5 to 3 percent

growth," Mr. Anibal forecast. This was also reflected in the outlook as seen by Robert J. Bretz, who conducts the National Association of Purchasing Management's survey of more than 300 industrial corporations.

He said the growth in new orders to manufacturers "appears to bave stabilized at a lower, but more sustainable level. Inventories remain low and supplier deliveries continue to slow, with the backlog of orders continuing to rise. There are encouraging signals for moderate growth in the economy."

In the first snapshot of the economy in March, the purchasing managers' index of activity declined almost two points, to 53.4, nearly five points below its January high of 58. New orders rose at a slightly slower rate, but for the first time since the group started tracking exports in 1988, new orders for exports declined below the dividing line of 50 that sometimes the started tracking the other tracking the started t dividing line of 50 that separates growth from contraction.

The Labor Department, meanwhile, reported an increase of 33,000 in new unemployment claims, to 380,000, last week, higher than analysts had expected. This is expected to be reflected in a slack

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Intel to Spend \$1 Billion **Expanding Chip Plant**

SANTA CLARA, California — Intel Corp., the world's largest mak-er of computer chips, said Thursday that it planned a \$1 billion expansion of its biggest manufacturing plant to help meet rising demand.

Intel said it expected production to start in 1995 at the extension to its factory in Rio Rancho, New Mexico. The expansion will add 1,000 jobs, bringing the work force there to 3,400. Intel called the expansion the

biggest in the industry's history. Charles Boucher, a senior analyst with Dataquest Inc., said the price eclipsed the \$850 million that Advanced Micro Devices, an Intel competitor, plans to spend building a plant in Austin, Texas. aquest has estimated

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will top \$4 billion this year, compared with \$3.5 billion in Japan.

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"This is our first billion-dollar factory, but it won't be our last," Gordon Moore, the chairman, said. "Chip factories are getting bigger and more expensive as our manu-

facturing technologies continue to become more complex." Intel is hungry for production capacity. It passed Japanese rivals

last year to become the world's largest semiconductor producer and is the sole supplier for the 486 chip that has become the standard brain" for personal computers. Intel is also ramping up production of its powerful fifth-generation microprocessor, the Pentium.

As the influence of International Business Machines Corp. has waned. Intel has become the pacesetter in computer-hardware design, Its net profit more than donbled in the fourth quarter of 1992 to \$428.6 million, on a 54 percent increase in revenue to \$1.86 billion. Arizona, Oregon, Texas and Airbus deal.
Utah had also sought to attract the But he crit North American speeding for choice of New Mexico was a partie- leases under which the buyer of an

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> The state has lost more than 800,000 jobs since mid-1990.

subsidies but avoided any serious oew flare-up io trans-Atlantic trade tensions as two days of talks ended Thursday President Bill Clinton last month

criticized the scale of European subsidies for the Airbus passenger plane made jointly by France, Spain, Britain and Germany and blamed them for the loss of thousands of jobs in the American air-craft industry.

U.S. officials said after the talks with the EC Commission that

On Airbus

BRUSSELS — The European Community and the United States

swapped accusations over aircraft

Washington was committed to plementing a July 1992 EC-U.S. Airbus agreement limiting aircraft subsidies and would continue to monitor EC compliance with it.
One U.S. official, describing the

talks as extensive and thorough said he hoped there would be less temptation now for the two sides to trade public attacks on how the other was fulfilling its part of the

But he criticized as risky the Eu-

craft production on both sides of the Atlantic, resulting in greater competition and financial difficul-(UPI, AFX, Bloomberg) ties for manufacturers.

Japan to Pump Up the Economy necessarily as impressive as it seemed, and that all kinds of unre-

By James Sterngold New York Times Service

TOKYO - Facing a stagnant economy and heavy pressure from the United States to reduce Japan's yawning trade surplus, Prime Min-ister Kiichi Miyazawa pledged Thursday to push for a huge new public-works program to get the economy rolling again and rescue a battered financial system.

Mr. Miyazawa said that the new plan, which would include heavy spending on telecommunications "superhighways" and computers for schools, would be larger than last year's supplementary budget of 10.7 trillion yen, currently the equivalent of \$93 billion. There has been speculation the new program could run as high as \$130 billion.

The announcement helped send stock prices soaring as a buoyant mood took bold in the market. Some analysts warned that the prospects of a new economic stimuus and a recovery in the deeply depressed stock market were still fragile, but heavy-handed government pressure to push share prices

Tokyo Unmoved by Charges

TOKYO — The Japanese government on Thursday had a muted reaction to further U.S. allegations of unfair trading practices.

An official of Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry said the report issued Wednesday by U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor was "nothing new and not surprising.

But Yasuo Tanabe, director of the Americas division of the ministry's trade policy bureau, complained that the report cited Japanese business practices as a trade barrier without giving examples. "It is somewhat embarrassing as this is often mentioned without concrete cases we can deal with," he said.

The U.S. survey of unfair trading practices identified Japan as the The U.S. survey of unian training processes destablished significant biggest offender among 44 countries that had established significant (AFP, NYT)

higher overcame the hesitation and kept a month-long rally going. "At this point you can't find anyone who is willing to bet against the government," said Jesper Koll, an economist in Tokyo with S.G. War-

The timing was excellent, since Mr. Miyazawa is planning to visit Washington for a summit meeting

liver evidence of a stronger economy at that time. The United States has pressed Japan to revive domestic demand so that the country will export less and import more. In fact, some economic analysts, government-controlled pension noting the fortunate timing, cautioned that the package was oot

with President Bill Clinton in two

weeks and reportedly hopes to de-

U.S. and EC East German Metal Struck Avoid Fight Workers Insist Companies Pay Huge Raises

By Brandon Mitchener tional Herald Tribune

FRANKFURT - Thousands of East German metalworkers walked off their jobs on Thursday in the first outright battle of a war over wages.

Around 100,000 workers went on strike and demon-

strated across East Germany to demand employers institute raises designed to bring wages up to Western German levels by 1994. Industry officials said such a huge increase, to which they previously agreed, would pot thousands out of work and further destabilize the egion's troubled economy Under a multiyear contract oegotiated in 1991,

before Germany went into recession, metalworkers were scheduled to receive a 26 percent pay increase and steelworkers a 21 percent raise on April 1. But employers scrapped the accord and are offering only a 9 percent raise, which is roughly in line with inflation.

Klaus Zwickel, vice president of IG Metall, the union that led the strikes, said the high participation was a sign that "people are absolutely fed up."

Indeed, while a wage increase of more than 20 percent in a region where unemployment effectively runs 40 percent sounds preposterous at first, the union notes that East German workers earn less than 70 percent of average Western German wages and have to pay more for many necessities.

Many union members expect to lose their jobs anyway, and they want big raises to increase the level of their unemployment benefits, which are tied to the But IG Metall is in a difficult position, because its

membership bas declined in line with layoffs in the region and also because workers in several other industries, including the beoming construction sector, recently accepted 9 percent raises.

The German Federation of Employers Associations said the scrapping of the contract had been "inevitable" and called on 1G Metall to lift what it called a "politically motivated blockade" that threatened the

See STRIKE, Page 13

Opel Complains of VW Raid

industry was shaken Thursday as claims and is examining its legal the chairman of Adam Opel AG, the options, a spokesman said.

The tug-of-war over management talent between General Moments other than purchasing of pursuing a head-hunting cam- tors and Volkswagen is the latest threatened to retaliate.

The accusations by David J. Herman. Opel's chairman, are unprecedented in the clubby atmosphere of corporate Germany. Exccutives here frequently stay with the same employers throughout their careers, and even companies
Opel has lost eight managers from
its purchasing department to Volks-

Motors headquarters in Detroit.

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By Ferdinand Protzman

New York Times Service

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"I look at it as the most extraorlinary thing I've seen in my 20-year the two companies. It began in early March, when Volkswagen hired losé Ignacio Lopèz de Arriorma, a Spanish industrial engineer with an almost legendary reputation as a cost-cutter, away from General Motors beadquarters in Detroit wants to get the benefits of our experience, system and team. I think that was always his plan."

Toronto Exchange Takes Off More Demand Likely for Canadian Stocks

By Clyde H. Farnsworth

New York Times Service TORONTO — The last time Bay Street, Canada's equivalent of Wall Street, was this busy was in October 1987, when stocks were in a virtual free fall. Now, however, investors are smiling.

The Toronto Stock Exchange, Canada's Big Board, has completed its best month ever, with volume and the value of the shares traded setting records in March.

The Toronto 300 Composite Index has climbed steadily and is ahead 7.5 percent this year, although it is still 15 percent below its high of 4,119.94, set on Aug. 13, 1987. Most analysts expect that record to yield, too, perhaps early next year. The index rose 7 points on Thursday, to 3,690.40.

"I see even stronger demand for Canadian equities," said George Domolky, manager of three Canadian equity funds for Fidelity Investment. "Investors like countries where they can already see the turn coming. Most international managers are now signifi-cantly underweighted in Canada."

The interest in Canada comes as the country is turning around from its longest and most severe postcession. "Corporate profits last year were the

lowest since 1932," said Jeff Robin, chief economist of the investment house of Wood, Gundy Inc. "The economy is picking up, and there could be explosive growth in profits over the next year."

But it's oot all a one-way street. Shares of Northern Telecom, Canada's huge telecommunications equip-ment-making company, lost more than 10 percent of their value last Friday after management warned that first-quarter earnings would out meet analysts'

And there are gnawing fears that huge provincial-and federal-government deficits could touch off a fullscale debt crisis. Government debt service already swallows about a third of tax revenues, more than any other major industrial country except Italy.

But the bulls dominate for now, supported by statistics like a bealthy 1.8 percent jump in January retail sales. The Burns Fry Ltd. Econopulse, an index of leading indicators, recorded its biggest rise in nearly two years in February. Inflation is at 2 percent and interest rates are falling.

Most economists expect the 3.5 percent annual rate of economic growth that Canada registered in last year's fourth quarter to continue for the full year.

AT&T Gets **Unit Ready** For Spin-Off

NEW YORK - American Telephone & Telegraph Co. on Thurs-day stopped backing debt issued by its finance subsidiary, preparing the unit for a partial spin-off.

AT&T Capital Corp. is an equip-ment-lessing and finance unit of AT&T. The parent company, rated double-A by major credit-review agencies, will continue to back about \$5 billion of outstanding debt. About 20 percent of the leasing unit is to be floated on the stock market this year. AT&T Capital's lease-finance assets, consisting of loans to finance projects and lever-aged leases on aircraft and other equipment, will remain with AT&T.
The changes will let AT&T focus
more of its resources on its core businesses of communications and computing, while maintaining a fi-nancing unit to help market prod-ucts sold by the company and its NCR Corp. unit, AT&T Capital

(Bloomberg, Reuters)

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To Our Readers

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Because of the seven-hour time

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the Market Summary below are from 3 P.M. New York time in-

stead of the usual 4 P.M. Also because of the time difference, some

other items elsewhere in the Busi-

ness section are from the previous

day's trading. We regret the inconvenience,

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Blue-Chips Higher In Nervous Trading

NEW YORK — A nervous stock Corp. market gave a modest lift to bluechip issues late Thursday, while secondary equities and bonds were pressured by sometimes contradic-

tory economic concerns. The Dow Jones industrial average edged up 4.33 poiots, to 3,439.44, but most Wall Street stocks were lower. Declining issues

N.Y. Stocks

on the New York Stock Exchange outnumbered advances 9 to 7, and most Big Board indexes were lower. The Nasdaq over-the-counter index fell 3,49, to 686.64, and the American Stock Exchange index

slipped 0.65, to 422.78. In a market as volatile and fragile as this one appears to be, inves-tors are looking for better-quality stocks at the moment," said Alan Ackerman, market strategist at Reich & Co. "The pause that we're seeing is one of concern about interest rates and unemployment."

The market reacted negatively to a drop in the National Association of Purchasing Management's March index of business activity to 53.4 in March, from 55.8 in February. It had been expected to fall to 54.5 percent.

A drop in the employment com-ponent of the purchasing manag-ers' report was particularly troubliog for stocks, said Hugh Johnson, head of the investment

On the other hand, the bond market was down on fears that there would be signs of growth in Friday's jobs data. Friday's labor report is currently expected to show the national unemployment rate onchanged at 7 percent in March, and nonfarm jobs up 90,000 after a 365,000 rise — distorted by parttime employment — in February.

The bellwether 30-year Treasury bond was 13/32 lower, at 102 2/32, where it yielded 6.96 percent, up from 6.92 percent Wednesday.

The scenario presented by some analysts is lose-lose for bonds over the short term, which could hold stocks in check. If employment shows a pick-up, economic health is implied, which is inflationary and bearish for bonds. If employment is weak, President Bill Clinton's economic-stimulus package is more likely to be approved intact, also with inflationary implications.

Time-Warner was the most-active issue, falling 1% to 33%. Many cable-television operators fell after mission adopted rules that would roll back many of their rates. Merck was next, down % to 341/2.

The pharmaceuticals sector weakened, giving up some of the gains from its recent rally. (Knight-Ridder, AP, Bloomberg)

DOLLAR: Recovery Unsteady

(Continued from first finance page) employment picture in the crucial report for March due Friday.

"Jobs have stalled," said Wayne

Ayres of the Bank of Boston. Figures for construction spending fitted in with sluggish growth, rising only 0.1 percent in February after an 0.5 percent decline in January. Discounted for inflation, the February figure actually meant a decline of 0.3 percent, but part of this can be accounted for by severe winter weather.

Foreign Exchange

The dollar dipped to a low of 1.5960 Deutsche marks and then recovered slightly, but it remains

The dollar plummeted age below the 1.61 DM level at which it

began 1993, What happened, explained Carl Weinberg of High Frequency Economics, is that at the start of the year, European banks urged their clients to buy local bonds and protect themselves against the currency risk by buying dollars. The bonds have since gained as Europe The dollar traded at 1.5920 DM an interest rates declined, but the dollar euphoria evaporated and Europeans now are selling out of the currency. In part, Mr. Weinberg said, this is because they real-

levels as long as the U.S. economy

continues sluggish growth.

Against the yen, the dollar simped to a new low of 113.70 just after the New York market opened, then recovered slightly. John Vin-cent of Chemical Bank said this was a totally different game, based mainly on the classic tug-of-war between Washington and Tokyo over Japan's huge trade surplus. This is accentuated by the expectation that the Japanese will either bave to repatriate investments overseas or borrow abroad to finance an economic stimulus program of \$100 billion or more.

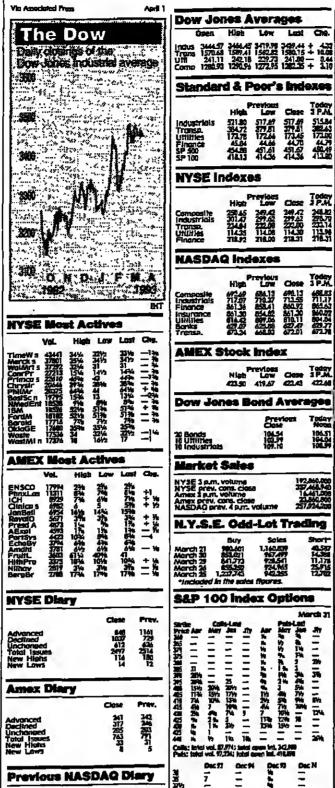
The dollar plummeted against major currencies, touching a post-war low of 113.70 yen on Thursday, United Press International report-

ed from New York. "This is a broad-based move on the dollar, not just limited to the yen, said David Abramson, an editor of Forexcast, a weekly foreign

near the close, down from 1.6067 late Wednesday, and it ended at 114.00 yen, down from 114.85. The dollar also fell to 1.4754 Swiss francs from 1.4895 and to 5.4025 French

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Talks on Coffee Pact Collapse

LONDON - Negotiations on an international pact to support world coffee prices have collapsed, undermining commodity agreements with the power to influence markets.

But far from sending prices spiraling lower, the news boosted them by more than 2 percent.

Last year, after months of intermittent negotiations, rich importing countries and poor developing nations set a deadline of March 31 for an agreement with teeth to control prices.

To fill the vacuom, member countries will consider in April the

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FCC Votes to Cut Basic Cable-TV Cost

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Communications Commission voted Thursday to cut the cost of basic cable-television service by at least 10 percent and to tightly rein in future increases.

By a 3-to-0 vote, the FCC adopted regulations that will control the rote that the 57 million IIS cable-television enhancings pay to local

rates that the 57 million U.S. cable-television subscribers pay to local cable operators franchised by municipalities.

The commission approved regulations to cut rates 10 percent from their Sept. 30, 1992, level and erase any increases that occurred since that 4

date. That could result in a 15 percent cut in monthly cable bills for basic

service for many subscribers.

The commission also voted, 3-0, to freeze further rate increases for 120 days while the new rules are being implemented. The basic 10 percent cut will apply to subscribers of basic services, which includes all three broadcast networks plus local-government and public-access channels.

Moody's Lowers Boeing Debt Rating

SEATTLE (AP) - Moody's Investors Service Inc. on Thursday lowered its rating on Boeing Co.'s senior debt, citing weakness in the

2107.0 2002.0 285.0 — 1.0 N.T. N.T. 2913.5 — 5.0 relumna: 11,024. Open Interest: 42,428. Moody's said in trimming its rating on about \$1.7 billion in Boeing debt that it expected Boeing's credit quality would remain below historical levels in the intermediate term. Boeing faces an unfavorable operating commercial aircraft market.

cal levels in the intermediate term. Boeing faces an unfavorable operating outlook, continuing heavy investments to produce its new 777 jetliner, due out next year, and growing demand for customer financing from the hard-hit airline industry, Moody's said.

The agency cut its Boeing debt rating to Al from Aa3. The new rating is still considered investment grade, which is important for some large institutional investors like pension funds and banks that hold or are considering buying some of the aircraft maker's bonds.

MCI Chosen by Carriers Consortium

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - MCI Communications Corp. said Thursday it had been selected to provide end-to-end digital connections for voice and data transmissions across the United States as well as between Canada and Mexico to a group called the Multilateral Initiative.

The initiative is composed of 32 European, Asia-Pacific and South American telecommications carriers. MCI said it was a three-year,

multimillion dollar contract, but did not elaborate. MCI said it would provide its Digital Passage service, which enables overseas telecommunications concerns to offer uninterrupted international service. It was one of three companies selected to provide the

New Issues Set Record Pace in Quarter

NEW YORK (NYT) — With interest rates at their lowest levels in 20 years and stock prices near record highs, corporations issued new securities at a record rate in the first three months of 1993, according to figures just released.

The lower rates also caused homeowners to refinance mortgages, keeping Wall Street firms well supplied with new issues of mortgage-backed securities.

The heavy activity kept Wall Street firms busy and profitable, collecting nearly \$2.1 billion of fees from new corporate-securities issues in the first quarter, compared with an average of about \$1.7 billion a quarter last

Martin Marietta Acquisition Cleared

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department announced Thursday that it would not oppose on antitrust grounds Martin Marietta Corp.'s planned \$3.05 billion purchase of General Electric's aerospaces business.

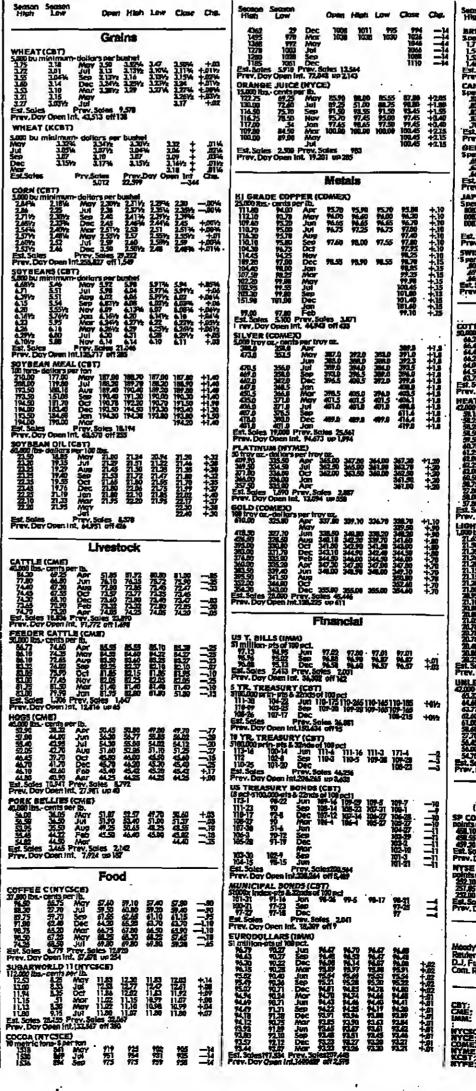
which is necessary to meet distribu-tion requirements. All editions will The acquisition will create the world's largest aerospace-electronics company, with more than \$10 billion in annual sales.

Uoder terms approved last week by Martin Marietta shareholders, GE will receive cash and \$1 billion of Martin Marietta convertible preferred again carry closing prices and in-dexes after April 4, when Daylight Saving Time begins in the United stock. GE Aerospace is a major supplier of satellites, radar and sonar systems, and other aerospace and defense systems.

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Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS — Banque Nationale de Paris, hit by the faltering French real estate market and problems at the affiliated insurer Union des Assurances de Paris, cut its dividend Thursday as it reported a 26.2 per-cent slide in 1992 profit.

BNP said it earned 2.17 billion francs (\$396.1 million) last year, down from 2.94 billion in 1991. Although operating profit rose 8.9 per-cent, to 11.81 billion francs, a second year of large provisions for real estate losses and a simmp in earnings at associated companies combined that it is earnings. The results were are line with bank forecasts.

Although 90 percent of BNP's voting rights are held by France and the rest by the state-controlled insurer UAP, 17.1 percent of its equity is held by the public in nonvoting

Provisions for bad debt rose to 8,38 billion francs from 8.08 billion in 1991, largely related to questionable real estate loans. The provisions would have been even larger, but BNP reclaimed 1.76 billion francs set aside against shaky Third World loans whose quality has improved.

Profit at affiliates, including UAP, fell to 473 million francs from 1.28 billion, reflecting the weak French economy, UAP has not reported 1992 results, but its contribution to BNP profit fell by 500 million francs.

Analysts said the core business was healthy. BNP is considered a prime target for privatization by the conservative French government.

(Reuters, Bloomberg, AFP)

Dresdner said recently that it would pay share ers an unchanged dividend of 12 DM for 1992.

Naf Naf to List on Bourse

the Paris Bourse this year, the company said Thursday.

than the Pariente family's holding, the spokesman said.

capital on the secondary market, a spokesman said.

PARIS - The clothing retailer Naf Naf, known in France for its

Naf Naf hopes to sell between 10 percent and 25 percent of its

Naf Naf is 76 percent held by its founders, the Pariente family.

Credit Lyonnais's investment arm, Clinvest, owns 11 percent, Ban-

que Nationale de Paris owns 6 percent, and the remaining stake is

The shares being sold will come from the investors' holdings rather

The company's debt stands at 200 million francs and it has assets

line of colorful attire for young people, will sell part of its capital on

Mercedes Is Whistling Dixie

By Doron P. Levin New York Times Service
DETROIT — Mercedes-Benz AG appears close to making a decision on building an assembly plant in the United States, where it will produce a new family car. Mercedes would become the latest German automaker to try to cut costs and expand by as-sembling vehicles in America. Speculation had been strong in

trade journals and among eco-nomic-development officials in the Southeast that Mercedes had selected a site near Charlotte, North Carolina Mercedes, based in Stuttgart, scheduled a news conference for Monday in Detroit where top executives, including Werner Niefer, its chairman, will address

antomotive reporters.
In an interview last week, Edzard Reuter, chairman of Daimler-Benz AG, which owns Mercedes, said that "very concrete negotiations are under way on a plant site in the United States.

"One of the possibilities is the Carolinas, where we have an ex-isting plant that belongs to our Freightliner subsidiary," Mr. Renter said. "We are examining other places as well." Freight-liner is largest U.S. producer of heavy trucks, and has three North Carolina plants. North and South Carolina are

A North Carolina car plant is a strong possibility.

attractive because of lower pay scales and levels of unionization than in other parts of the country. More than 100 German companies already have subsidiaries in the two states. Last year BMW AG selected Greer, a suburb of Spartanburg, South Carolina, for an assembly plant that is sched-uled to start production by 1995. Mr. Reuter said Mercedes

planned a new sport utility vehicle or station wagon-type vehi-cle, possibly with four-wheel drive. Production would be between 50,000 and 100,000 units annually, he said. The vehicle would be produced for the American market but likely for

export as well. Mercedes's worldwide sales fell to 530,000 in 1992, from 580,000 in 1991.

Mr. Reuter said that several company objectives argued for a plant in the United States: "It ranges from our plans to broaden our product palette with a new vehicle, a fun car that will find a market in the United States. to wanting to not to be dependent on unstable exchange rates."

Mercedes's review indicates how the dollar's weakness and soaring labor costs abroad - and the competitive threat of Japanese automakers - have compelled carmakers worldwide to consider the United States as a low-cost manufacturing venue.

The bank said it expected lending to grow moder-

ttely in 1993 because of the weakness of the economy.

"Even if, for the moment, the bank can count on a good overall result in 1993, we shall have to wait for

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■ British Strikes on Friday

ers, angered by government-im-posed mine closures, will lead a wave of one-day strikes on Friday,

Reuters reported from Barnsley,

Another strike, by 63,000 rail-

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Thousands of British coal min-

(Reuters, AFP)

"They are happy to have a job and work throughout the country. Bus

Asked whether the MZ workers stay at home, adding to the misery

considered themselves second-class of millions of commuters.

uncertain economic climate," the bank said.

Roche's Net Rises Despite Big Charge

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
BASEL, Switzerland — Roche
Group, the pharmaceuticals giant, said Thursday its net profit had risen 29 percent last year, to 1.92 billion Swiss francs (\$1.29 billion), from 1.48 billion in 1991, despite a

substantial one-time charge for re-tirement costs in the United States. New U.S. accounting rules required Roche to make a nonrecur-ring charge of 208 million francs for health costs of retired American employees. Roche chose to book the charge in one year rather than

spread it over several years.
Roche said it would raise its dividend to 37 france a share from 28

The profit rise was in the middle of the range of analysts' forecasts, which ran from about 24 percent to

Roche previously announced that group sales rose 13 percent to 12.95 billion francs, from 11.45 bil-

drivers in London are also set to

The National Union of

Mineworkers hopes that up to

10,000 people will attend a rally in

the Yorkshire coal town of Barns-

ley to protest at the closure of 19 of

the industry's 50 mines, which is

Last week, the government an-

expected to cost 15,000 jobs.

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years of recession.

Roche's profit rise exceeded those of its two bigger Swiss rivals, Ciba-Geigy and Sandoz, which re-cently said profits rose 19 percent and 17 percent, respectively, on a comparable basis.

The company said the strongest performance was by its pharma-centicals division, where sales rose

17 percent to 6.89 billion francs. Roche increased capital spend-ing 14 percent last year, to 1.29 billion francs, and raised its spending on research and development 16 percent, to 2 billion francs.

The company is expected to disclose further financial details at its annual news conference in late April, when analysts anticipate a major capital restructuring annonncement. Roche is one of a few Swiss companies that maintain nonvoting dividend-rights certifi-cates. Under a new Swiss law, capi-tal can no longer be raised via such certificates, making them obsolete in the longer term. (Reuters, AP)

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Dresdner Bank Lifts Profit by 48%

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches FRANKFURT - Dresdner Bank said Thursday it had increased net profit by 48 percent to 965.7 million Deutsche marks (\$603 million) in 1992.

Consolidated operating profit rose 13.1 percent, to 2.81 billion DM. The balance sheet increased by 11.8 percent to 329.54 billion DM.

The parent company, Dresdner Bank AG, increased

Dresdner said recently that it would pay sharehold-

net profit by 14 percent to 692.5 million DM and partial operating profit on behalf of clients rose by 17.2 percent to 1.83 billion DM.

Dresdner's chief executive, Wolfgang Roeller, said earnings in the first two months of 1993 had remained at the high level seen in 1992. "We are counting on a good result for the whole of 1993," he said at a news conference. Mr. Roeller said

(Continued from first finance page)

region's already-shaky economy.

Many East German metals-in-

dustry companies that have been

privatized or undergone manage-

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German system of negotiated con-

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GmbH, for example, a profitable

Chemnitz bicycle manufacturer,

raised salaries from 11 percent to

Andre Hunger, personnel man-ager at MZ, a Saxon motorcycle

maker that is to grant raises averag-

ing 7 percent on May 1, said many

workers felt security was more important than money. "People knew

from the start we would not pay the 26 percent increase," he said.

14 percent as of March 1.

IBM Europe Slims Down

The Associated Press

PARIS - IBM Europe will cut nearly 10,000 jobs and has told managers of four plants in Britain, France, Spain and Sweden to show they are profitable in the next 12 months, a spokesman said Thursday. In IRM's 11 plants across Europe, 2.600 jobs are to be eliminated this year, said the spokesman, Jörg Winkelmann. He said 7,000 other positions in marketing and service were also to be eventually cut from IBM Europe's work force, which totaled 90,000 at the end of 1992.

The four targeted factories must sell their products not only within

IBM but outside, Mr. Winkelmann said. The plants are at Havant, England, making memory units; Montpellier, France, making chips and large mainframes; Valencia, Spain, making small mainframes, and

Jarfalla, Sweden, making printers. They employ 4,800 people. STRIKE: East German Metalworkers Insist on Raises

> Worsened in '92 Agence France-Press

PARIS - The French aircraft engine-maker Snecma Group had a group net loss of 794 million francs (\$146 million) last year, compared with a loss of 68 million francs in 1991, the company said Thursday.

Snecma's Losses

Snecma recorded a parent loss of 593 million francs, compared with a profit of 82 million in 1991.

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· Nestlé SA said it was "fairly well advanced" in its considerations of seeking a listing on the New York Stock Exchange; but "nothing has been decided yet," a spokesman added.

 Medeva PLC, a British drugs concern, said it planned a 1-for-4 rights offering to holders at 180 pence (\$2.71) a share to fund its purchase of Ribosenharm, a German concern.

 Japan has given preferential tariffs to imports from the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Slovenia and Croatia.

The EC Commission said it had opened an inquiry into the ACROS Chemicals joint venture set up by Harrison & Crosfield PLC and Akzo NV; interested parties have 10 days to file comments on the deal.

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TOKYO: Under U.S. Pressure, Japan Pledges to Pump Up Its Economy

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improvement. Economists say that Japan's economy grew by I percent or less in the fiscal year that ended March 31 and that many indicators, such as consumer spending and corporate investment, remain anemic. Officially, the government is forecasting growth in the fiscal year that just began of 3.3 percent, but private forecasts range from less than 1 percent to 2.5 percent.

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H.K. Gets Monetary **Authority**

HONG KONG - The Hong Kong Monetary Authority was for-mally established on Thursday as a quasi-central bank overseeing the world's sixth-largest foreign-ex-change center and a major Asian banking and finance hub.

The authority has merged the roles of the Office of the Exchange Fund and the Office of the Commissioner of Banking which previously shared many central-banking functions in the British colony, such as managing monetary and exchange-rate policy, supervising

anks and the payments system.

"All that has changed is the name of the organization," said Joseph Yam, chief executive of the authority.

The authority's functions fall short of a true central bank because it will not issue notes, clear the interbank system or act as retail banker for the government.

Mr. Yam said his biggest challenge was building up the credibility of the authority, whose creation was announced only last October by Governor Chris Patten.

Mr. Yam reaffirmed that one of the anthority's key goals was maintaining the exchange-rate peg of 7.8 Hong Kong dollars to the U.S. dollar, which was fixed in 1983, even though it means the government sacrifices using interest rates as a tool to control economic activity.

"We control interest rates for the purpose of maintaining exchange-rate stability and not for the purpose of controlling inflation," he

Playing Asian Currencies Trade in Tokyo Grows With Regional Links

TOKYO — As commerce between Japan and the rest of Asia grows brisker, banks in Japan are doing more and more business trading Asian currencies, bankers say.

"Asian currency business has a lot of room to be explored and to grow," said Masamichi Tachi, manager at Midland Bank in Tokyo.

Expanding trade, investment in Asian stocks and Japanese businesses, and growth in the num-

and Japanese businesses, and growth in the num-ber of Asians working in Japan are all spurring demand for Hong Kong dollars, Singapore dollars, Malaysian ringgit, Thai baht and Indonesian rupi-

ah, bankers say.

They say the future of the Asian carrency business depends on the yea's internationalization and regulation of currency and capital transactions in many Asian countries.

Over the past year, many Japanese banks and foreign banks in Japan have opened Asian currency trading desks. "Our Asian currency team just started to operate in March, but it is already handling more than 100 transactions a day," Mid-land's Mr. Tachi said.

Yasuji Kibayashi, chief customer dealer at Bank of Tokyo, said one reason for the increase in Asian currency trading in Tokyo was that home offices of Japanese companies were taking control of curren-

cy transactions away from branch offices in Asia.

Trading companies, manufacturers and brokerages are the major customers, bankers said.

Not only is the volume of trade swelling, more and more of it is being settled in yen or Asian currencies rather than dollars, they said.

"Merchandise trade between Japan and Asia continues to grow," said Mr. Kibayashi at Bank of Tokyo. "With Japan sunk deep in recession, with slackening domestic demand, it has been expand-

ing exports to Asia, whose economy seems to be the only one on the globe in good shape."

Asia accounted for 34.2 percent of Japan's exports in 1992, or \$116.10 billion, up 10.8 percent from a year earlier. Imports from Asia were \$74.34 billion, up 1.8 percent. The region accounts for 31.9 percent of Japan's total imports.

Buoyant economies also make Asian stock mar-

kets attractive to Japanese institutional investors. An expanding network of Japanese companies in Asia and subsequent investment in infrastructure generate another capital outflow from Japan to the region.

"The biggest companies have firmly established their businesses in Asia," said Harumi Ban, senior manager at Sanwa Bank in Tokyo. "But the peak for smaller companies is coming now. Here is another demand."

Taiwan Computer Maker **Seeks Court Protection**

TAIPEI — A major Taiwan maker of personal computers, Copam Electronics Corp., said Thursday that it would seek protection from creditors, falling victim to the industry shakeout caused by a global price war.

Copam said it would file for court protection in mid-April after posting a oet loss of more than 500 milion Taiwan dollars (\$19.2 mil-

lion) last year.
Michael Yu, the managing director, said cutthroat competition in the industry had left Copam with bank debt of 2 billion dollars. Mr. Yo said Copam would ride out its difficulties and he forecast a

profit of about 160 million dollars on sales of 2.5 billion dollars this year, aided by the introduction of a pocket-sized computer next week. Copam was the most prominent among scores of victims of E shakeout in the Taiwan computer industry that began early last year, said

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cutting costs, developing new products and expanding foreign sales.

These companies will enjoy better sales and profit growth this year because of the U.S. economic recovery and the expansion of markets in China, Eastern Europe and Southeast Asia, they said, "I think Copam will be the last

significant company to go under," said Lin Long-hsien, analyst at United Securities. Sales of Taiwan personal com-puters, monitors and other equipment and components rose 16 percent to about \$8 billion last year, Mr. Tsan said. About 90 percent of

the products were exported. Mr. Tsan predicted sales would total \$9 billioo this year. He pre-dicted profit margins of about 5 Tsan Wen-nan, a manager at the percent this year for computer exstate-funded Institute for Informaporters, compared with 3 to 5 per-

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Very briefly:

Swire Properties, the real estate arm of the conglomerate Swire Pacific, has bought a Hong Kong industrial building from Toppan Printing Co. for 750 million Hong Kong dollars (\$96.2 million), Swire said.

Mitsubishi Estate Co. topped the first list of the 100 biggest payers of a new Japanese land-value tax introduced last year, paying 7.57 billion yen (\$65.8 million), the National Tax Administration Agency said.

 Denway Investment of China has suggested that its Guangzhou joint venture with Pengeot, the French automaker, be listed on either the Hong Kong stock exchange or a bourse in China, a spokesman for Denway said.

M Australia has eased restrictions on foreign investment in real estate, making more properties available and reducing requirements for Australian equity, an Australian official said. Bloomberg, Renters, AFP

Indonesia Tightens Trademark Law

JAKARTA — Indonesia put new trademark laws into effect Thursday in an effort to change its sian trademark office to give listatus as one of the world's primary censes for trademarks that are alsources of pirated goods.

But analysts said it could be

some time before the laws had any impact.

Elt's good that the laws are now there," said D.D. Dermawan, an

readiness of the government apparatus to implement the rules." The new laws forbid the Indonecenses for trademarks that are already widely known and provide for a six-month appeal period be-

fore a license is awarded. because they provide for criminal a better mechanism to implement attorney, "but the question is the charges against copycats, with the rules."

rupiah (\$48,250). "This is progress. You could hardly do anything to retailers in

Analysts said the laws would make it easier to remove unauthohelp to protect trademark owners rized trademarks, he said, "we need

the past," Mr. Dermawan said.

Banks Reach Capital Target

TOKYO — Japan's 14 major banks have all achieved the capital-to-assets ratio of 8 percent that the Bank for International Settle-ments had required them to reach by Thursday, the Nihon Keizai

Bank of Tokyo had a capital-adequacy ratio of 9.2 percent as of last month, the paper said, while other banks' ratios ranged from 8.7

percent to 9.1 percent.

A recently established cooperative announced this week that it had purchased 682 billion yen (\$5.86 billion) of nonperforming real estate debt, at about two thirds of face value, from Japanese banks in a first step toward bailing out the troubled institutions.

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SPORTS BASKETBALL



Michel Zanoli of the Netherlands in his Motorola days: He had a reputation as a good sprinter — and another reputation.

Pro Biking Springs Into Season of Hope Fledgling Sponsors and Struggling Riders Aim for Survival

By Samuel Abt

nal Herald Tribune BRUSSELS — Elro Snacks is the third-ranked professional bicycle racing team in the Netherlands, but only because there are just three teams there. Last year, when there were five teams in the Netherlands, Elro ranked fifth.

It has eight riders, half the complement of most other teams, and none of their fancy equipment. Instead of traveling in luxurious team buses. Elro goes in private cars, including the beige station wagon of Jos Elen, sponsor, snackmaker and directeur sportif, whose leading rider is his son. The tours that invite Elro are not the grand ones — in France, Italy and Spain — but those in Luxembourg and Sweden.

Still, Elro survives, And that is more than can be said of the Dutch teams sponsored by such industrial giants as Panasonic, Philips and Du Pont. When the 1992 season ended, so did the Panasonic and PDM teams, both at the top in international computerized standings and each boasting an annual budget of about \$5 million, Elro Snacks, ranked 32d in the world and budgeted at about \$300,000,

continued into its fourth year. "But not by much we continued," said Michel Stouten, the team's masseur. "This year we put the team together at the last moment."

As Stouten recounts it, the team was saved Feh. 5, when Jos Elen Jr. married the daughter of Elro's mechanic. Among the wedding goests was the head of the Vangriensven company, a Dutch manufacturer of jukeboxes and pinball machines, who fell into conversation with the elder Elen.

"Mr. Elen tells him, "It's finished, we don't have another sponsor, we don't have enough money. Then they agreed, and the day after the marriage everything was O.K. Vangriensven had bought in.

Stouten was speaking last weekend in the parking lot outside the sports center in Harelbeke, Belgium, the starting point for the Grand Prix E3. The race serves as a tune-up for Sunday's Tour of Flanders, one of the most prestigious events of the spring and a World Cup classic. The E3 rates as a semiclassic, nothing to get overly excited about except that it gives the Tour of Flanders field a preview of some of the roads, cohhlestones and hills they will cover.

For that reason, the E3 attracted many of the major teams. Bumping handlebars with

the Gatorade, Carrera, Castorama and his season ended in July when be accidentally WordPerfect entries were such obscure teams as La William, Trident, Saxon and Naessens. Semi-classics usually have room for smaller teams, offering them a chance to ride against the big boys, collect a dah of publicity and

impress their sponsors. Vangriensven-Eiro, which everybody still calls Elro, was there, 100. Among its riders was Michel Zanoli, who understands survival.

Last year the hulking, 25-year-old Dutch-man rode for Motorola in another league altogether. He was to have participated in the Giro d'Italia — one of the tours that Elro will never be invited to — and might even have hoped to win a spot on Motorola's team for the Tour de France. But Zanoli never made it past the Tour Du Pont in the United States.

In a sprint finish late in the Du Pont, be punched a rival in the nose. If not unprecedented in the sprint -which the victim of the punch, Davis Phinney, describes as "when the race gets to be its craziest" - a punch is extremely rare. A punch that draws blood, as Zanoli's did, is shocking.

Len Pettyjohn, the directeur sportif of the rival Coors Light team, put it this way: "There's an unwritten rule in cycling that you don't take your hands off the bars. No matter what. You just don't hit people,"

Zanoli raced for Coors Light in 1989 and 1990 before joining the Tulip team in Bel-gium in 1991. He was hired by Motorola last year on the strength of his first place in the 1991 CoreStates U.S. championship and his reputation as a good, if not great, sprinter.

He had another reputation, Coors Light people charged. "He's roughed up people before." Petryjohn said. "It's one reason we didn't mind seeing him leave, even if I liked him personally."

Earlier in the Du Pout, Zanoli hit somebody else. When a television photographer on a motorcycle caused a Motorola teammate to crash, Zanoli stopped his bike, ran back to the photographer and punched him. The 1.95meter, 90-kilogram (6-foot-5, 200-pound) Zanoli raging against the photographer made for spectacular film footage. "He's an extremely aggressive rider," Greg LeMond said. "I like Mike but he does have a little temper."

When Zanoli was fined and expelled from the Du Pont because he punched Phinney, Motorola announced frostily that it would not appeal. Sent home to Belgium and dropped from the Giro, Zanoli was idle until

HEY, KID! WAIT A MINUTE!

I DON'T KNOW YOUR NAME!

PEANUTS

cut six wrist tendons. "It didn't happen during a race, it hap-pened at night," he said last weekend. "Par-ty," he added. "Somehow."

He drifted downward: Motorola did not rehire him and he signed with a new Belgian team that turned out to exist only on paper. When the season began in February, Zanoli was without a job until Elro Snacks found a co-sponsor and used its new money to invite him aboard.

"It's working out, I've got a chance to do some good races," he said at the E3. "It's quite different from Motorola, but things are the way they are. You've got to make the best of it, you shouldn't complain." Although he seemed to be lecturing, he was speaking to himself.
"I had a great team last year and I kind of blew that. It's the way it is. You can't turn it

back right now. You just make the best of it, keep talking to everybody." He meant that he was hoping to join a bigger team than Elro. "I'm just waiting till the results come," he said. "This is only my

fourth race this year. It's a good race, but not the big one for me. The Amstel Gold Race is the hig one." The Amstel, a World Cup classic, is scheduled April 24 in the Netherlands. A strong performance then might indeed be followed

by a contract offer from a major team seeking a sprinter for the rest of the season. Those thoughts could wait. First came the E3, and he rode splendidly, coming in fifth in sprint fmish.

I went pretty good," a smiling Zanoli said the next morning, at the next race, the Flèche Brahançonne in Brussels. He loses his menacbeat me were the best — Cipollini, Ludwig, Nijdam and Vanderaerden. I was right up there. I just missed the power to come by

them. But I'm happy, I'm content."

Did he think other teams had noticed his finish? "Oh yeah," he said enthusiastically. There would be no immediate encore, however. "No high goals here," he said of the Fleche Brabanconne. "Today won't be much because I've been going deep the last couple of days, and it's time to recover a little bit. I'm gambling everything on the Amstel Gold Race. Everything I do is working toward that. Until then I'm just trying to hang on, to keep

hoping, to survive. This sport is all about survival but, really,

I JUST MET THE

OF ROY HOBBS!

GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER

ROY HOBBS WAS MY

GREAT-GRANDFATHER ... WHEN

YOU HIT THAT HOME RUN YESTER-

DAY, YOU RUINED MY LIFE!

Coach Smith: Consistency School

By Malcolm Moran New York Times Service

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CHAPEL HILL, North Carolina - Dean Smith has gotten soft. Thirty-two seasons into his career as coach of the North Carolina Tar Heels, he has heard the claim from the people who should know - players who grew to understand Smith's system, in Woollen Gymnasium or Carmichael Auditorium, only to come home to teach another generation and offer an apparently unanimous opinion.

When Larry Brown came back as an assistant coach, he said, 'Coach, you've really gotten easy on these guys,' Smith remembered. When Eddie Fogler came back as my assistant coach: 'Coach, you've really gotten easy on these guys. It's not like it was with us.' Guess what I get from Phil Ford. Dave Hanners, Randy Wiel? I must be so soft now."

The way his system has worked, the criticism, even when harsh, is directed at the correctable when marsh, is directed at the contraction mistake and not the player who made it. "The act, not the person," Smith said. "That's the way we've done it."

The coach sees, and seeks, consistency — of

personalities, of effort, of performance. The results are now measured in decades, with most of them appearing at or near the top of the history of the college game. Once again, when the Tar Heels meet Kansas

on Saturday evening in the semifinal round of the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament, the intense scrusiny that has increased as the Final Four has grown will link Smith's ability with the outcome of one or two games.

His team faces the task of playing Kansas, the only second-seeded team to survive the

regional tournaments, with a coach, Roy Wil-hams, who left Smith's staff and imported an approach right down to the terminology and the signature fisted "tired sign" and the foul-

Then, if the Tar Heels advance to the cham-

pionship game, there would be the challenge of Michigan or Kentucky, groups operating with team concepts that have given outstanding in-dividual players the freedom to excel. There are no outward signs of concern that a system built over three decades is being judged by the out-comes over one long weekend. Smith did not exhibit any signs — or sense of vindication when his team won in New Orleans in 1982.

"I can remember the staff being even more concerned than I was," he said. "I certainly wanted to play well and win. They were tired of

'Scoring is not everything. It's a mental game.

Forward Brian Roese . hearing that I had to get the monkey off of my

back. I didn't feel a monkey."

The eventual outcome for this North Carolina team, which has tied a school record with 32 victories, could inspire a refrain most recently repeated by Cincinnati player Nick Van Exel last week: that Smith is merely a good coach overseeing great talent that should have won more than one national championship.

When Smith was asked if a defeat this weekend would create a feeling of failure, he said: "I don't see how you could feel that way. It's kind

of sick if somebody does." Those around him respond even more strongly, as they did under the stands in the Hoosier Dome two years ago in an angry response to his embar-rassing ejection by official Pete Pavia from the national semifinal loss to Kanses.

"It's so farfetched," center Eric Montross said of Van Exel's claim. "There are still people nipping at him, When are you going to do this or that?"

Smith is the first coach whose team's NCAA tournament appearances have been spread over a four decades. His team's 23 appearances are second to Adolph Rupp's 20 at Kentucky. Carosecond to Adolph Rupp's 20 at Kentucky. lina's nine Final Four appearances under Smith are second to John Wooden's 12 at UCLA.

Of the 192 letter-winners Smith has coached. 187 — 97.4 percent — have earned degrees. Smith's teams have won 772 games, second to Rupp, and the winning percentage of 77.6 leads active coaches with at least five years of experi-

The last time North Carolina finished lower than third place in the Atlantic Coast Conference, Billy Cunningham was a junior and Charlie Scott, the university's first black athlete, was still in high school. That was 1964.

The last time the Tar Heels did not reach that round of 16 in the NCAA tournament, Particularly Sullivan, a junior on this year's team, was a years old. That was 1980, two years before Sullivan's first basketball memory — Carolinals na's championship-game victory over George-town in the Louisiana Superdome.

In an era of freshman eligibility and highprofile recruiting, two developments within the industry that Smith has bemoaned, he has continued to attract gifted players willing to submit

"Scoring is not everything," forward Brian Reese said. "There's more than just putting the basketball in the hoop and dribbling up and down the court. It's a mental game. You have to

be mentally prepared."

Cumulative statistics for the press and public do not include minutes played. But there is a list of the 56 players, before this season, who have finished the annual preseason mile run within 5 minutes. (For the record: Steve Hale, a three-time primers was the factors will de 200 Miles time winner, ran the fastest mile, 4:39.9. Michael Jordan and James Worthy did not make

SIDELINES

Tyson Intends to Convert to Islam

NEW YORK (AP) - Mike Tyson has embraced Islam and plans to officially become a Muslim and adopt a new name "within the month,"

according to a published report.

The New York Post said Thursday that the former heavyweight champion, who is serving a six-year prison term for rape, has selected the name Malik Abdul Aziz. While serving his sentence at the Indiana Youth Center, he has been receiving religious tutoring from a Muslim teacher, Muhammad Sideeq, the Post said.

"Mike says that going into detention was good for him because it allowed him to find his inner spirit and read the Roran more," a source

Out of Soccer and Into Chess

OSLO (Reuters) — Norway's soccer-playing chess grandmaster Simen Agdestein has quit the game with a knee injury and will now concentrate on chess, the Norwegian news agency NTB reported Thursday.

He decided to hang up his soccer boots because his knee still hurts after three operations. Agdestein, 25, who played with the Norwegian first division club Lyn, tore ligaments in his right knee in both 1991 and 1992. The youngest chess grandmaster in the world when he was 18, Agglestein has the content of the world when he was 18, Agglestein has the content of the world when he was 18, Agglestein has the content of the world when he was 18, Agglestein has the content of the world when he was 18, Agglestein has the content of the world when he was 18, Agglestein has the content of the world when he was 18, Agglestein has the content of the world when he was 18, Agglestein has the world when h tein has managed to combine soccer and chess, in which he is ranked 23 in

Orlando's O'Neal Fined \$10,000

NEW YORK (AP) - Shaquille O'Neal has been fined \$10,000 and ame without pay by the National Basketball Association for punching Detroit's Alvin Robertson during a game between the Orlando Magic and Pistons.

O'Neal, one of the league's top players, also will lose \$36,585 in salary based on his annual \$3 million income. Robertson was fined \$7,500, but not suspended. The NBA said O'Neal instigated the fight that took place late in Orlando's 105-91 victory on Tuesday. The league also fined Terry Mills and Isaiah Morris of Detroit \$500 apiece for leaving the beach during the O'Neal-Robertson exchange.

For the Record

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The former tennis star Bjorn Borg has been granted a divorce from the wife, Loredana Berte, Stockholm court officials said Thursday. (Renders)
A player with the Italian Cup soccer finalist AS Roma has failed a preliminary dope test, an official with the national institute of sports doctors said Thursday, and a second test will be done.

REX MORGAN

CALVIN AND HOBBES



A First for Minnesota

LOH, IT'S JUST A COUPLE

OF PENNIES. I'VE GOT A HOLE IN MY POCKET.

Chad Kolander (51) of Minnesota taking the ball away from Georgetown's Robert Churchwell during action in the National Invitational Tournament final in New York, Minnesota defeated Georgetown, 62-61, to win its first NIT championship.

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Michigan's Tactics Of Intimidation Sometimes Backfire

New York Times Service

Woofing can backfire. A few years ago in a tight game in the final minute of the West Regionals of the National Collegiate Athletic Association basketball tournament, Paris McCurdy of Ball State stepped to the free-throw line, Greg Anthony of Nevada Las Vegas, hoping to throw him off his game, sauntered behind him and said quietly, "You're gonna shoot another one of those bricks, man," McCurdy said, "We'll see."

Anthony said, "Your mama can shoot better free throws than you." McCurdy said, "Ain't got no mama."

strange look came over Anthony's face and he walked away silently.

* little smile appeared on McCurdy's face — for, in fact, he did have a mother. He also sank both free

Vantage Point



throws. He later said that the discussion with Anthony relaxed him, having the opposite affect than Anthony nad intended. Ball State lost the

game, 69-67, but it wasn't because of McCurdy's fout shooting — he hit four for four in the game — and it presumably wasn't because of Anthony's mouth, This comes to mind now as Michigan, the woolingest team in the Final Four, prepares to play Kentucky in the semifinals in New Orleans on Saturday. Woofing, or barking, or taunting in your face has backfired for Michigan up to this point, although it has not floored them.

Woofing, too, has backfired on Anthony, because the possible escala-

tion of pushing an opponent verbally is to punch him. Even sucker punch him, which is what Anthony did the other night in Phoenix to Kevin

The television audience caught a stark glimpse of Michigan's verbal propensity last week when Jinmy King, after executing a crashing jam, shouted something ugly, something unnecessary in the face of a George Washington player. It was like kicking someone when he's down, because at the time. Michigan, the heavy favorite, was leading by something like 15-2. At the half, Michigan led by 2 points, and barely won.

Whatever woofing the Wolverines have done in the tournament has seemed to either ignite the other teams (UCLA took them into overtime and Temple played them virtually even), or defuse themselves with a bullying overconfidence.

Michigan players come out in their corn-vellow long shorts - Jalen Rose's cover his knees - and their black shoes and black socks, reminiscent of Mike Tyson in the ring (although Tyson was without socks), and wrapped in rap. They want to give the impression of street toughs, and bring that 'hood jauntiness to the court. This is hip-hop hoops.

But if practiced, it would seem more suited for the pros. where anything

goes, just about, than in college where these players are students, at least

Michigan does many of the thirtgs that the basketball textbook says not to do, such as throwing cross-court passes. But because of their glorious physical talent, they have gotten away with such risky business. The end result of this, however, can be that when facing a team with fairly equa talent — and stronger coaching — as they will against Kentucky, then the players' deficiencies, such as not knowing or caring how to fight through picks, not knowing or caring how to get free without the ball, may be another way of beating themselves,

Often, though, when the competition is herce, as it is at this level of the NCAA tournament, the best thing to do is keep your mouth shut, Walt Frazier had a theory about this, "Let sleeping dogs lie," he said, "Why ритр апуопе ио?

It is true that competitors try whatever they can to get an edge, and there are occasions when some words will make another player so infuriated, for example, that be loses concentration, but the reverse may work better.

Sometimes the best thing to do is say nothing. I remember Sonny Liston's glare, those piercing, villainous eves set darkly inside the cowl of his boxing tobe. 'Nuff said, they said.

Or take Bob Gibson, According to Joe Morgan in his new autobiography, "A Life in Baseball." "Gibson did not socialize, did not so much as weeklangs provide with players on other tears.

exchange words with players on other teams, he said, because any time they were in the batter's box he needed the freedom to knock them down." What Gibson did do, though, was stare malevolently, and fire that most wicked of fast balls.

As Michigan goes against Kentucky, I am terminded of the matches between Bjorn Borg and John McEnroe, McEnroe was uncharacteristically tight-lipped when he played Borg. He said he needed all the energy he could muster — every extra breath preserved — if he hoped to beat him. He also knew he wasn't going to intimidate or confound him with gah.

The Michigan players will have to do the same against Ken they will surely wind up talking only to themselves.

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NBA Standings



The Cleveland Indians' pitcher Jose Mesa (49) and catcher Sandy Alomar upending Hal Morris of the Cincinnati Reds after Morris charged the mound in a game in Winter Haven, Florida. Morris, who separated his shoulder, will be out of action for a least a mouth.

Indians' Crews Legally Drunk in Fatal Boat Crash

By Murray Chass New York Times Service

Tim Crews was legally drunk when the boat he was driving rammed a pier after dark, killing him and another Cleveland Indians pitcher, an investigation of the accident has revealed.

Colonel Bob Edwards, law enforcement director for the Florida collision. Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, said in a report that tests indicated that Crews had a bloodalcohol content of 0.14 percent. Under Florida law, the operator of a boat is legally drunk when his blood alcohol content reaches 0.10

Lieutenant Vinard Hitt of the commission said Tuesday that no charges would be filed. If similar circumstances existed and the operator of the boat survived, Hitt said. "We would recommend that said, "We would recommend that be be charged with driving under the influence

Crews, 31, was steering his 18foot (5.5-meter) fishing boat on Little Lake Nellie about 25 miles (40 kilometers) west of Orlando at about 7:30 P.M. on March 22 when it rammed a pier, went under it and

Boston Red Sox

For all the moves general manag-

Olin, 27, the Indians' top relief pitcher, was killed instantly. Crews died about 10 hours later at Orlando Regional Medical Center.

Both pitchers died from "blunt force trauma to the head." Ed-wards said in his report, and the nature of the injuries indicated that neither man saw the pier before the

Bob Ojeda. 35. a third Indians pitcher, suffered a severe scalping injury and told investigators he did not recall seeing or hitting the picr. Edwards said Olin's blood alcohol content was .02 percent and Ojeda's .006 percent. Their content was not critical, bowever, because

equivalent of six to seven beers in a person the size of Crews: 6 feet (1.82 meters) and 195 pounds (88 kilograms).
"But the effects vary considera-

hly in each person," Hegert said. Edwards said physical evidence from the accident indicated the boat was "planed out," or riding high in the water. That condition, be explained, established that the boat was traveling 25 miles an hour or faster, though an exact speed could not be determined.

Hitt said that the boot manufac turer told investigators that with the 150-borsepower motor the boat had, it would have to go at least 25 miles an hour to be planing. But, he said, the boat was capable of traveling up to 50 miles an hour with

three people on board. The day after the accident, Lieutenant Bruce Cooper, one of the chief investigators, speculated that evidence indicated the boat could have been traveling with the threttle close to being completely open.

In his report Tuesday, Edwards said the boat's propeller cut a strip of grass about 250 feet long leading directly to the 171-foot pier. The grass he referred to was submerged egetation close to the lake's surface.

If the boat had not been on plane, Edwards said, it would have plowed the grass aside and "disturbed the bottom,"

The boat broke three of the pier's pilings and three cross braces, coming to rest 145 feet beyond. It stopped, Edwards said, because the force of the crash caused the outboard motor's cover to press against the flywheel, causing the engine to stall.

Ojeda, who was discharged from the hospital last Thursday, spoke with his teammates at the Indians' park in Winter Haven, Florida. the accident.

Many Contenders in a Season of Change

Are there any baseball fans out there who would like to see Nolan

Ryan pitch in the World Series in his final season? Probably lots, which is why the Texas Rangers are the sentimental favorite in the American League

West this year. They are no worse than most teams in the division. More than in any recent year. more teams have a legitimate chance at finishing first in the AL West, Even Seattle, which lost 98 games last season, may have a chance, Well, maybe not,

Predicted Order: 1) Chicago, 2) Minnesota, 31 Kansas City. 4) Oakland, 51 Texas, 6) Seattle, 7) Cali-

Chicago White Sox

Even without Bo Jackson and Ozzie Guillen, the White Sox stayed in contention last year. With

those players back, Chicago might win its first title since 1983, Jack McDowell (20-10) has be-come one of the most consistent starters. How well Bobby Thigpen needs to do better than last season's 4.55 ERA. Hard-throwing Lind and Greg Gagne. They added Roberto Hernandez may need to Roberto Hernandez may need to St. Louis for Felix Jose. George St. Louis for Felix Jose. George pitches could be the key, but be The big question is what Jackson Brett, about to turn 40, will see if he

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The Twins made two major winter moves that kept their tans happy — they kept Kirby Puckett in Minnesots, then sigoed Dave Winfield, a hometown bero, Bert Blyle-

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ven also is back, needing 13 more victories for 300, Minnesota always has done well because of its defense. Manager Tom Kelly is gambling this year that third baseman Scott Leius can make the move to shortstop to replace Greg Gagne.

Kansas City Royals A year ago, the Royals started the season with new players and new hope. A month later, they were 1-16 and on the way to their worst

finish (72-90) since 1970. So the Royals signed a home-town favorite. David Cone, to an-chor a staff that includes Kevin

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can do after missing almost two full can duplicate his .285 batting average, or do better.

Oakland Athletics Free agency hit hard, and the defending AL West champions are without Dave Stewart, Mike Moore, Harold Baines and Willie Wilson, Walt Weiss was traded away and, for the first time in seven years. Oakland begins a season without Jose Canseco.

Even so, the Athletics have a lot left as they seek their fifth title in six years. Rickey Henderson may be unhappy with his contract, but he can get on base. Mark McGwire and Ruben Sierra are solid, and Dave Henderson is ready to return from yearlong injuries.

Texas Rangers What a thrill it would be to see Nolan Ryan, at 46, close his career in a World Series for only the second time. Possible, but not proba-ble. Ryan 15-9, 3.72 ERA) is coming off a series of injuries, and has

been so-so in spring training. The Rangers should score a lot of rons, Juan Gonzalez, 22, who led the majors with 43 home runs, and Jose Canseco (26 HR, 87 RBI) might be the most potent outfield tandem in baseball.

get support from newly acquired Charlie Leibrandt and Craig Lefferts, and Tom Henke as cioser.

Seattle Mariners Lou Piniella was hired to fire up the Mariners on the field, and reliever Norm Charlton also went from Cincinnati to Scattle. The Mariners, who have had only one winning season in their history, are used to disappointment.

California Angels Not much went right for the An-gels last season, and it's not looking

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EAST DIVISION After years of trying to break out of their choke collar, the Toronto Blue Jays did it last season.

So what happens in the winter? They lose Dave Winfield, David Cone, Jimmy Key, Tom Henke, Kelly Gruber, Manuel Lee, Dave Stieb and a few others. Not all of those losses will hurt. but the Blue Jays are not the force

they were. Meanwhile, several teams have gotten better, including New York and Baltimore. Predicted Order: 1) Baltimore, 2) New York, 3) Toronto, 4) Cleve-land, 5) Detroit, 6) Milwaukee, 7)

majors in runs (791) last season. Camden Yards was a big hit last and that's the best measure of ofseason and so were the Orioles, What Detroit really needs is pitching. The 4.60 ERA was the who went 89-73 and stayed close to

Toronto until the final weeks. highest in the majors since 1987, so The Orioles made only a couple they signed free agent Mike Moore of moves to fill gaps, signing designated hitter Harold Baines and sec-(17-12), and Tom Bolton and Bill rueger at lesser prices. ond baseman Harold Reynolds. Milwankee Brewers Then, along came Fernando Valen-While owner Bud Selig comzuela. Baltimore still needs a few things to win this year, most of all plained about the disadvantage that small-market teams faced, most other clubs in baseball went for Cal Ripken to bounce back

from a season-long slump. Mike Devereaux [107 RBI] and out and got more players while Mil-Brady Anderson (80 RBI, 53 SB) waukee lost Paul Molitor, Chris are two of the best outfielders in Bosio, Dan Plesac and a few others. baseball, Mike Mussina (18-5, 2.54 Rookie manager Phil Garner got ERA) emerged as one of the best the most from his lineup by runyoung pitchers in the majors. ning all the time, as the Brewers stole a team-record 256 bases.

New York Yankees George Steinbrenner's return to the Bronx got the attention, but it made one of the splashiest debuts will be newcomers Wade Boggs, Jim Abbott, Jimmy Key, Spike Owen and Paul O'Neill who deterin major league history. mine whether the Yankees win er Lou Gorman has made, and for

Abbott 17-15. 2.77 ERAI got no run support in California; be'll get more at Yankee Stadium and might become New York's next bero. Key (12-12) is consistent and will is a more about 18 consistent and will is a more about 18 consistent and will is a more about 18 consistent and will is a more bad it as there for the bull. (13-13) is consistent and will join more had it not been for the bull-Melido Perez for a solid three-deep pen that blew 26 of 65 save

rotation. Don Mattingly does not have his old home run power, but his 40 doubles showed a resurgence. Boggs 1.369 lifetime at Fenway Park! needs to show his career-lov .259 last season was a fluke and Danny Tartabull (85 RBI) must play more often.

Toronto Blue Jays Let's see, who's left? Joe Carter, Roberto Alomar, Jack Morris and a few others,

enough for Toronto to become the first AL East team to win three straight division championships since the 1976-78 Yankees. Dave Winfield's 108 RBI will be

hard to replace, although Paul Molitor might make up for it in other ways. Duane Ward becomes the gone. Dick Schofield will do fine at shortstop for Manuel Lee.

Cleveland Indians The Indians seemed ready to rise this season before the boating accident that killed Steve Olin and Tim

Crews and injured Boh Ojeda. Olin (29 saves) symbolized the emergence of the young Indians. Carlos Baerga hit .300 with 200 hits, 20 home runs and 100 RBI and Kenny Lofton set a league record for rookies with 66 stolen

A lot of people point to Detroit's low batting average (.256) and ma-jor league leading strikeouts (1,055), but the Tigers again led the

Daulton, Phillies Catcher,

ing to pay \$18.5 million to ensure that catcher Darren Daulton remains with the team for his entire career.

Daulton became the highest-paid catcher in baseball on Tuesday, agreeing to an \$18.5 million, four-year extension through the 1997

The contract also contains bonuses for various season awards, including being selected the league's most valuable player.
"Darren has overcome a lot of adversity to become without question the best catcher in baseball," Bill Giles, the Phillies'

left knee.

Darren to complete his career as a Phillie. Mike Schmidt played all of his career with the Phillies, and Darren will be the second. runs and a league-leading 109 RBIs.

Campanella (1953), Johnny Bench (1972-74) and Gary Carter Daulton's career almost ended June 21, 1986, when Mike Heath of

the St. Louis Cardinals slid into his left knee at home plate. Daulton underwent surgery four days later for a ligament tear.

He also overcame serious injuries in 1991, when be missed numer-

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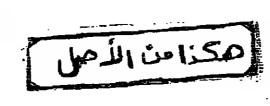
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Daulton will make \$2.25 million in 1993, the final season of a three-year deal worth \$6.75 million guaranteed. The new contract gives the Phillies a 1998 option at \$5 million with a \$500,000 buyout.

president, said, alluding to six operations the catcher has had on his "To me he's a great example of what hard work and determination can accomplish whether it is in sports or life. This new contract enables

Daulton, 31, had his best season in 1992, hitting ,270 with 27 home He became the fourth catcher to lead the NL in RBIs, with Roy

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Play It Again, Coppers

By Russell Baker

NEW YORK — In this fantasy l am heavily armed and shouting, "Come and get me, coppers!" in a voice just like James Cagney's. The house is surrounded by coppers. Don't ask me why. Do I think I'm Jesus like the Texas man Herblock calls the Waco Wacko? Not likely. Maybe I've refused to file an estimated income tax form.

Whatever the offense, the feds are out there with heavy armor. 1 am ant without resources though. Guarding the back of the compound is a blonde who lonks like Virginia Mayo and doesn't give me a lot of feminist lip if I call her a dame. Another woman who lonked like Joan Leslie wanted to stay too.

but I made her leave.
I told her, "Joan, I want you to come out of this alive so you can some day play George M. Cohan's wife in Yankee Doodle Dandy.

To tell the truth, Joan also gives me a pain. She is always asking nitoicking questions, worse than an editor. Before she left the compound, for instance, she said, "Why are you now calling this a compound when in the first paragraph you called it a house?"

Which, incidentally, shows what a rotten editor she would make. I had to explain that the difference between a house and a compound is like the difference between a compound and a complex.

"Joan," I said, "it all depends on how dramatie you want the story to sound. With hundreds of feds surrounding the joint, it becomes a compound. If the feds number in the thousands, make it a complex."

That night the phone rang. It was the FBL They had the compound surrounded with high-powered lights. Unless I came out with hands up, they would turn them on, and I'd have a terrible night's sleep.

"Do your worst, copper," I snarled, slamming down the phone, and chuckling with satisfaction. The fools! If they only knew. I'm scared to sleep with the lights out. Now the federal government would be footing the electricity bill to keep me safe all night from the boogie man.

Next week the FBI announced they would tighten the screws. I had unticed gigantie sound amplifi-

ers being installed all around the compound and guessed they planned to blast me with high-ton-

nage rock 'n' roll, as they blasted General Nnriega when he took religious sanctuary in Panama. Please don't blast me with deafening music," I whined, all the time chuckling with satisfaction. The fools! If they only knew. Ten years

had I lived in the same house with

adolescent children hlasting me

night and day with the worst the record industry could produce. Hardened by years of assault from legends-in-their-own-time rockers. I was not just invulnerable to the FBI attack; I enjoyed it. It reminded me of a time when my children were young and I wasn't

Thanks to the FBI, I spent many sweet bours that week sentimentally recalling long-ago tantrums when I had threatened to hreak every Rolling Stones record in the house "if you don't turn down that phonograph." The FBI's mighty amplifiers could not match the volume of that long-ago phonograph of my children's adolescence.

The FBI must have sensed it was wasting its wattage, because the next week it cut the rock and blasted the house with Tibetan religious chants. Listening to them night and day left me misty-eyed, far they sounded for all the world exactly like the U.S. Senate, which I used

to cover in the good old days.

What a delight it was to revisit once again in memory such delightful senators as Olin ("The Solon") Johnston and Francis Case, famous for his ability to argue for a week about the distinction between a tit-

tle and a jot.

The FBI was threatening to let go with Christmas music, fire-engine sirens, old recordings of "Mister Ed" and a two-month tape of Pledge Week on my local PBS sta-tion when, for a change. I decided to call the FBI

I said: "If you guys would just grow up and go away I'd probably get tired of the fantasy and come out for some fresh air. There was a lot of FBI objection to growing up, but since it was only

a fantasy, good sense finally prevailed. Real life isn't like that, of New York Times Service

Korea's Lonely Master of Erotica

By David Tracey

C EOUL - Professor Ma Kwang-Soo doesn't want to talk about the crime that recently put him in jail for two months. He worries that any more controversy will only rile the government, or perhaps cost him his jub at the prestigious Yonsei University in Seoul. But he will agree to an interview if we limit the talk to his writing. Trouble is, they're

the same thing.
"My first long novel was 'Ennui' in 1990,"
he begins, speaking in Korean through an
interpreter. "It's about a man with a fetish for long fingernails. In all of my books there's something about long fingernails. I don't know why, but I've never been able to find a novel in any world literature that includes a fingernall fetish. Anyway, this fetishist poet meets a woman with long fingernails and they have a fantastic night of sex play. It's written in the first-person stream-of-consciousness

style." A sly smile glimmers on Ma's otherwise glum expression, reinforcing an image of him as the Korean Woody Allen. Dressed almost nerdy in tweed jacket and rimless glasses, Ma admits that he's heard the comparison before. "Ennui" earned the scorn of South Korean

literary critics, but Ma was used to that. His 1988 book of essays, "I Like Loose Women," was received scathingly even as it became a best-seller. Ma's explicit advocacy of sexual liberation shocked many in South Korea, where arranged marriages are still common and adultery is a crime. The author was banned from teaching his literature courses

"I got a lot of enemies because of 'I Like Loose Women, "he said, "hut it also helped change Korean society. Traditionally in Korea the soul is more important than the body, patience is more important than pleasure. People came to recognize that pursuit of pleasure is not a sin."

The government didn't agree, and warned Ma to tone down. But "Let's Go to the Rose Inn," his book of poems featuring fetishes, voyeurism, sadomasochism and more, started another controversy in 1989. A movie version collapsed in progress when the producer de-cided it would never get past the censors. "People thought the title was an invitation

tn go to a cheap inn tn have sex nr adultery."
Ma explained, "but that's not what I wrote. I wrote that in a society with so many social restrictions you need a place to hide. The Rose Inn is the hiding place of love."

All the fuss about sex prevents Ma's books from being reviewed on literary grounds, he says sadly. Modern literature in South Korea, he feels, is boring partly because the critics are conservative and preachy. "At the same time that they highly praise writers like D. H.

Lawrence and Allen Ginsberg, they say it's too early for the same type of things to be written here. They just toady up to the West."

The problem is he goes too far when he writes that everything we dn is because of sexual instincts." And feminists continue to criticize written here. They just toady up to the West."



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Ma Kwang-Soo says he is battling for literary freedom.

Among his other publications are scholarly books, including one on symbolic poetics that he says led to his most recent and most controversial novel. "Delightful Sara," about a college coed's sexual experiments with various men, was ordered out of the bookstores last year and Ma was arrested. His imprisonment gave South Korea the rare distinction of

being a democracy in the 1990s that will lock up a writer for fiction. Ma says the book simply described modern reality, but was criticized because "Korean people still want to think of their daughters as pure virgins." He also says the government is hypocritical: "If I had written about the free sex of a college man I wouldn't have been in

The arrest let Ma know who his friends weren't. Other than students, very few in the writing community, including journalists, stood up for him.

What support be does receive comes in small measures, sometimes with qualifications. "We need a person like Professor Ma," said the schoolteacher Kim Soon-Im, while three of her 15-year-old students listened in, "He's an important step toward making a free country.

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campaigns (he suggests they make their own pomography to exploit men).

Ma, now 42, cuts a lonely figure. Heads turn when be walks down the street; he can hear his name in whispers as he walks away. He's divorced, and he admits that this may contribute "a little" to his belief that undying spiritual love is a mental deception that is no natch for physical attraction.

For now be is lying low, but unhappily.

"It's very depressing to think that I may not be able to write any more. But I can't go to jail again, my body is too weak for that. These days I've lost all interest, so I'm not writing a thing. It's sad, Our country is supposedly becoming international and democratic, and then this happens. If they can suppress culture, they can suppress anything.

Ma would like to have some of his writing translated into English, wondering aloud whether poetry sells in the United States. "No? Maybe 'Ennui' then." In any event, exile is not an option.

"I'm too old for that. I could never learn English now, And besides, I'm really a patriot. I write these things for Korea, not because I hate Korea."

David Tracey is a free-lance writer living in

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Oscars and Politics

The producer of the Academy Awards show said he would never again invite Tim Robbins, Susan Sarandon and Richard Gere because of political comments they made Monday night. Gil Cates said the remarks, about Hairians with AIDS and human rights abuses in China, made him particularly angry because they were made by people be considered friends. Each of them went on stage and rehearsed what we had agreed on, and then they went on the show. Monday night and added some-thing which they neither asked me about, nor questioned the appro-priateness of," Gates said. Cates, who has produced the Oscars for four years, said not even an apology would make him change his

Rock Hudson's insurance policy doesn't cover damages a jury awarded to his lover after finding that the late actor had concealed his AIDS infection, an appeals court ruled. The ruling by the Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals means Hudson's estate won't recover any money from Aetna Casualty & Surety Co. in its settle-ment of a lawsuit filed by Hudson's lover Marc Christian. A Los Angoles Superior Court jury had award-ed Christian \$21.75 million, an award a judge later reduced to \$5.5 million. Christian settled the lawsuit for an undisclosed amount

while an appeal by Hudson's estate

was pending. Hudson died of AIDS in 1985.

All in the family: Bill Wyman, 56, the former Rolling Stones bass player, is 34 years older than his most recent wife, Mandy Smith, now 22, whom he met when she was 13 and from whom he was divorced last year. So it should not startle that his son from another marriage, Stephen Wyman, 30, is planning to marry an older woman. The surprise is that she is Patsy Smith, 46, Mandy Smith's mother — and Bill Wyman's former mother-in-law.

Anyone who saw "Basic In-stinct" knows that Sharon Stone is anything but sky. So when finnce.
Bill Mactionald popped the question recently, the actress didn't feign any maidenly airs. Instead, she returned the favor. "I got down on my knees in my gown and asked

him to marry me." Stone said at Eiron John's post-Oscar party.

Now that Fergie has "financial adviser" John Bryan to woo her. has her estranged husband found conse-lation elsewhere. There have bear suggestions in the British press that Prince Andrew, the Duke of York, has been seeing a model named Catrina Skepper. Skepper, 30, obligingly posed for photographers recently but declined to comment on

her friendship with the prince, who

was photographed leaving her

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apartment at 1:40 A.M.

Gloria Steinem made an appearance outside the New York courtroom where Woody Allen and Mia Farrow have been airing their dirty laundry. "I'm showing concern about child sexual abuse, of which this is kind of typical," Steif in said. Although she declined to say which side she was taking, Steine compared the trial to cases in which fathers facing child abuse allegations sue for custody to distract attention from the charges.

After the sticker, the lapel pin, the cookies, the look-alike compention and the cartoon strip, the fame of President BEI Clinton's cat. Socks, is taking on a new dimension -as a waxwork in the Muste Grevin in Paris. An effigy of the United States's "First Cat," will be myelled on Friday to coincide with France's two-day national Anima Festival, the museum announced

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Joan Lunden, the co-host of ABC's "Good Morning America," finally has reached a settlement in her contentious divorce from Michael Kranes. Details of the agreement were not made public. Last June a judge ordered Lunden to pay Krauss \$18,000 a month in temporary alimnny. Lunden groused at the time that the court should tell "husbands who have been living off their wives to get a

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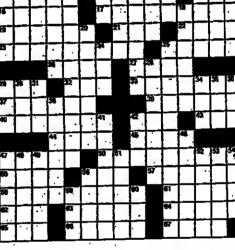
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THE FOURTEEN SIS-TERS OF EMILIO MON-TEZ O'BRIEN

By Oscar Hijuelos. 484 pages. \$21. Farrar, Straus & Giroux. Reviewed by Richard Eder

TN The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love," Oscar Hijuelos wrote of a close provincial world. It was a displaced province made up of Cubans and Cuban-Americans in New York in the '40s and '50s. They struggled in menial jobs and lived in grimy sixth-floor walkups or janitors' basements while sustaining a culture of musical intimacy and celebration that was partly nostalgia for their old island and partly a vigorous though constrict-

ed transplant to their new one. The Fourteen Sisters of Emilio

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Montez O'Brien" attempts to de- to some extent, of its weakness. cant the highly flavored Cuban-American culture of the '40s and 50s into what is less an American ens' Cuban heritage and in an ethmelting pot than an American cool- nic and cultural past. They are ing chamber. Hijuelos tells one of those multigenerational epics.

Pennsylvania photographer, himself an immigrant from Ireland, goes to Cuba to cover the Spanish-American War. He stays on for a while, marries Mariela, a young Cuban woman, and hrings her home to live in his small American town. They have 14 daughters and a son. The novel evokes the superheated colors of their home and marks what fades and what doesn't as the children move out and live on into their '80s and '90s.

None of them die young, which is less odd than symptomatic of the

Hijuelos's empathy, intuition and talent remain rooted in the O'Brimost palpable as children. The book's first part is richly imagined and lushly written. With its 14 girls - Emilio is the last-born - the household is all enthusiastic cooktasizing and ebullient sensuous-ness. "The feminine presence was

so strong," Hijuelos writes, "that passing horsemen fell off their horses and cars crashed in the ditch out front." When a biplane makes a forced landing after flying over-head, the feminine aura is also credited (although it is suggested that a faulty engine may have been Hijuelos centers the story, for a

while, on Margarita, the oldest

daughter. She hums with incipient ion, a passion that will eventually be misdirected into marriage to a prosperous young neighbor. The sband's own apparent passion is actually a cold erotomania. There are a number of detailed sex scenes - one of them an oddlyplaced flashback when Margarita is in her old age - that are all meat and

In the early sections, Hijuelos's magic-realist style is reminiscent of Gabriel Garcia Marquez's "Love in the Time of Cholera." It is forced and honeyed, though, without the authentic wit and mystery of the Colombian writer. The writing becomes plainer once the children grow up and the author is faced with the task of telling each of their lives.
Fifteen lives is a lot to handle. and Hijuelos tends to handle it in

life to the next The book's best writing comes

with the last days of Nelson and Mariela and with Margarita in her failing 90s. Their hallucinatory dream states and fragments of ehildhood memory provide anemotional coherence and authenticity that Hijuelos mostly fails to achieve. It is the past that really holds him. "The Fourteen Sisters" is more an album of family snapshots than a novel.

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We need the voice of an old rememberer, who sits alongside and turns the pages, to bring them alive. Only in the sunset moments of Nelson, Mariela and Margarita is such

Richard Eder is on the staff of the the manner of a family round-robin

By Alan Truscott everal thousand enthusiasts

S everal thousand entitions as the bead for Kansas City, Missouri for the American Contract Bridge League's Spring Nationals which was held on March 19. They are qualifiers from district play in North American Open Pairs. The Nationals invariably attract

a foreign contingent, primarily from Europe. In Las Vegas in 1991, Ron Klinger of Sydney, Australia a frequent contestant in world championships, found himself in four hearts as South on the diagramed deal.

West led a trump, which was ducked to East's king, and that player cashed the king-queen of clubs and shifted back to trumps. After removing the last missing trump Klinger had to face the problem of the spade suit. The rou-

hoping the queen will fail. But in-stead Klinger led the jack from the closed hand, with a triumphant result: He pinned the ten and the made game. He won the battle but lost thewar, for his team lost the match by

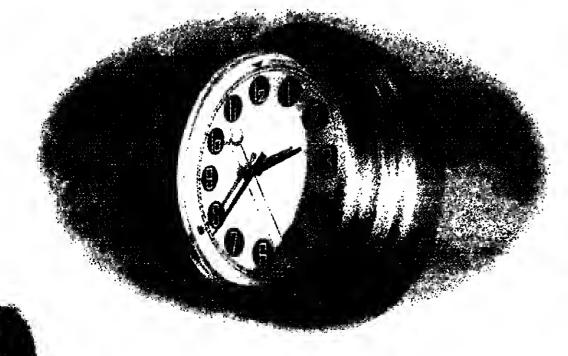
tine play is to cash the ace and king,

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just one imp to the team that even-tually finished second. The jack play, intending a later finesse against the ten if West plays the queen, is virtually as good in theory as cashing the ace-king, and has practical advantages.

Here the declarer had a good reason for his play: West's failure to lead a spade hinted at possession of the queen; and if East held the spade queen in addition to the en of clubs and the kingjack of hearts he might well have

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